HELP ?

Your recent searches

This is a list of your 4 most recent searches this session. You may:

- Click an item in the **Search** column to view its search results.
- Click a number in the **No.** column to AND the search string to the current search string.
- Go back to Search by Word.

No.	Search	Articles found
4	TEXT(product) W/3 TEXT(availability) AND TEXT("bait and switch")	0
3	How do I compare product availability at different retail locations?	0
2	How do I compare product availability at different retail locations?	0
1	(bait PRE/2 switch) AND product AND availability	32

reviewed

1 of 1

7/22/01 6:38 PM

Your SELECT statement is:
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   s (price(2n)compar?) AND (Internet or (web()site? ?)) AND
(product(2n)availab?) AND (bait(2w)switch)
```

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           Items    File
           -----    ----
              1      15: ABI/Inform(R)_1971-2001/Jul 21
              1      47: Gale Group Magazine DB(TM)_1959-2001/Jul 20
    Examined  50 files
              1      88: Gale Group Business A.R.T.S._1976-2001/Jul 23
    Examined 100 files
              1     141: Readers Guide_1983-2001/Jun
              1     148: Gale Group Trade & Industry DB_1976-2001/Jul 20
    Examined 150 files
    Examined 200 files
    Examined 250 files
    Examined 300 files
              1     484: Periodical Abs Plustext_1986-2001/Jul W3
    Examined 350 files
              1     553: Wilson Bus. Abs. FullText_1982-2001/Jun
    Examined 400 files
    Examined 450 files
    Examined 500 files
    Examined 550 files
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7 files have one or more items; file list includes 574 files.
One or more terms were invalid in one file.

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     Set      Items    Description
     S1          7     (PRICE(2N)COMPAR?) AND (INTERNET OR (WEB()SITE? ?)) AND (P-
                       RODUCT(2N)AVAILAB?) AND (BAIT(2W)SWITCH)
     S2          2     RD (unique items)
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reviewed all (handwritten)

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File   15:ABI/Inform(R) 1971-2001/Jul 21
          (c) 2001 ProQuest Info&Learning
File   47:Gale Group Magazine DB(TM) 1959-2001/Jul 20
          (c) 2001 The Gale group
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              2     15: ABI/Inform(R)_1971-2001/Jul 21
              4     16: Gale Group PROMT(R)_1990-2001/Jul 20
              3     20: World Reporter_1997-2001/Jul 22
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              4    148: Gale Group Trade & Industry DB_1976-2001/Jul 20
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              1    485: Accounting & Tax DB_1971-2001/Jul W3
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              1    604: Gannett News_1998-2001/Jul 20
              4    613: PR Newswire_1999-2001/Jul 22
              3    621: Gale Group New Prod.Annou.(R)_1985-2001/Jul 20
      Examined 450 files
              1    646: Consumer Reports_1982-2001/Jul
              3    649: Gale Group Newswire ASAP(TM)_2001/Jul 16
      Examined 500 files
      Examined 550 files
              2    781: ProQuest Newsstand_1998-2001/Jul 22
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    14 files have one or more items; file list includes 574 files.
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Set      Items    Description
S1         31     (PRICE(2N)COMPAR?) AND (INTERNET OR (WEB()SITE? ?)) AND (P-
                  RODUCT(2N)AVAILAB?) AND (CIRCUIT()CITY OR KMART)
S2         12     RD (unique items)
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           (c) 2001 Washington Post
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           (c) 2001 ProQuest Info&Learning
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           (c) 2001 Gannett News
File  613:PR Newswire 1999-2001/Jul 22
           (c) 2001 PR Newswire Association Inc
File  621:Gale Group New Prod.Annou.(R) 1985-2001/Jul 20
           (c) 2001 The Gale Group
File  646:Consumer Reports 1982-2001/Jul
           (c) 2001 Consumer Union
File  649:Gale Group Newswire ASAP(TM) 2001/Jul 16
           (c) 2001 The Gale Group
File  781:ProQuest Newsstand 1998-2001/Jul 22
           (c) 2001 ProQuest Info&Learning
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Set      Items    Description
S1         22     (NATIONAL()SEMICONDUCTOR) AND (BILL(2N)MATERIALS) AND (WEB-
                  ()SITE) AND PY<=1998
S2         14     RD (unique items)
S3          0     (NATIONAL()SEMICONDUCTOR) AND (MY()BILL(2N)MATERIALS) AND -
                  (WEB()SITE) AND PY<=1998
S4          9     (NATIONAL()SEMI?) AND (MY()BILL(2N)MATERIALS) AND (WEB()SI-
                  TE)
S5          6     RD (unique items)
S6          6     S5 AND PY<=1999
S7          0     S5 AND PY<=1998
File      9:Business & Industry(R)  Jul/1994-2001/Jul 20
            (c) 2001 Resp. DB Svcs.
File     16:Gale Group PROMT(R)  1990-2001/Jul 20
            (c) 2001 The Gale Group
File    148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB  1976-2001/Jul 20
            (c)2001 The Gale Group
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            (c) 2001 The Gale Group
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            (c) 2001 The HW Wilson Co
File    570:Gale Group MARS(R)  1984-2001/Jul 20
            (c) 2001 The Gale Group
File    621:Gale Group New Prod.Annou.(R)  1985-2001/Jul 20
            (c) 2001 The Gale Group
File    636:Gale Group Newsletter DB(TM)  1987-2001/Jul 20
            (c) 2001 The Gale Group
File    647:CMP  Computer Fulltext  1988-2001/Jul W3
            (c) 2001 CMP
File    649:Gale Group Newswire ASAP(TM)  2001/Jul 16
            (c) 2001 The Gale Group
File    810:Business Wire  1986-1999/Feb 28
            (c) 1999 Business Wire
File    813:PR Newswire  1987-1999/Apr 30
            (c) 1999 PR Newswire Association Inc
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Your SELECT statement is:
    s (Thompson()Consumer()Electronics) AND (Internet or (web()site? ?)) AND
(product(2n)availab?)

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6/3,K/1   (Item 1 from file: 9)
DIALOG(R)File   9:Business & Industry(R)
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02417428 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)
National opens new sales channel
(**National Semiconductor** Corp introduces **Web site**
  Buy.national.com, to help customers conduct business with National and
  its franchised distributors)
Electronic Buyers News, p 60
March 22, 1999
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal   ISSN: 0164-6362   (United States)
LANGUAGE: English   RECORD TYPE: Fulltext
WORD COUNT: 599

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(**National Semiconductor** Corp introduces **Web site**
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  its franchised distributors)

ABSTRACT:
National Semiconductor Corp has introduced its **Web
site** Buy.national.com, offering a variety of features to help
customers conduct business with National...
...customers will be able to purchase National products other Web sites.
Full text discusses the **Web site** in detail.
...

TEXT:
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...meantime, the ability to create private sites, as is possible through
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help ease that concern.

For component makers to build their OEM customers' confidence...

COMPANY NAMES: **NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR** CORP

6/3,K/2   (Item 1 from file: 16)
DIALOG(R)File   16:Gale Group PROMT(R)
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06481543   Supplier Number: 55130761   (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
Exploring Alternatives -- A Growing Number Of Sites Offer A Variety Of
  Services, Ranging From Online Auctions To Detailed Catalogs To
  Comparative Technical Data.(Internet/Web/Online Service Information)
Electronic Buyers' News, pNA
July 12, 1999
Language: English   Record Type: Fulltext
Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade
Word Count: 10634

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...G.R.

          Buy.National.com
          www.buy.national.com;
          www.national.com/purchasing/
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for the product lines of several industrial distributors. EE...

...the site, electroBase tells users, "While we do not require a reciprocal
link from your **Web site** in order for you to be listed, we would
appreciate a link."

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     The company's ●sourced Internet Procurement Au●mation service is
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Web site.
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     InPart Electronic
     www.ptc.com/products/inpart/
     Parametric Technology Corp. and the...

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preparing a bill of materials," Pepin said.
     While all transactions are processed through the **Web site**
, the company focuses on personal contact with its buyers and sellers via
regular e-mail...

...1 billion in excess semiconductor inventory.
     OEM customers can apply for membership at the VCE **Web**
site or via e-mail. Members can post their excess inventory lots

6/3,K/3   (Item 2 from file: 16)
DIALOG(R)File 16:Gale Group PROMT(R)
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06211326   Supplier Number: 54180642   (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
National opens new sales channel.(**National Semiconductor's**
  Buy.national.com **Web site**)(Company Business and Marketing)
Trommer, Diane
Electronic Buyers' News, p60(1)
March 22, 1999
Language: English   Record Type: Fulltext
Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade
Word Count: 617

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COMPANY NAMES: **National Semiconductor** Corp.
19990322

6/3,K/4   (Item 3 from file: 16)
DIALOG(R)File 16:Gale Group PROMT(R)
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06163322   Supplier Number: 53983482   (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
National Semiconductor Launches BUY.NATIONAL.COM.
Business Wire, p0432
March 1, 1999
Language: English   Record Type: Fulltext
Document Type: Newswire; Trade
Word Count: 736

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...   Internet
     Content & Exchange (ICE) Transaction to Enable Efficient Catalog
     Sharing with Customers and Business Partners
     National Semiconductor Corporation(R) today announced
that it has opened a new Internet-based sales channel (http...

...partnerships by helping customers find and buy National products
anywhere they exist. From a centralized **Web site**, any customer
worldwide can obtain product availability and pricing from National and its
distributors as...

...customers' sales channel options," said Mike Bereziuk, executive vice
president of marketing and sales at **National Semiconductor.**
"Through this 'one-stop-shop' concept, customers receive the benefit of
pricing, availability, lead times...

...in just two

clicks ● ●

    -- Cross Reference Search capability to quickly find equivalent
National devices

    -- A "**My Bill** of **Materials**
" page to create private Web sites for
bill of material tracking

    -- Pricing and Distribution Inventory...

...over 150,000 electronic parts from over 300 manufacturers through its
catalogs, CD-ROM, and **Web site**.
    Before ICE, National distributed its catalog through custom PERL
scripts and development-intensive relationships with...

...with National over the Internet to integrate its large catalog of
product information into our **Web site**," said Leigh Townley,
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reach will help customers save valuable time and could potentially reward
National with increased sales in the future."
    About **National Semiconductor**
    National Semiconductor provides system-on-a-chip
solutions for the information age. Combining real-world analog and...
COMPANY NAMES: **National Semiconductor** Corp.
19990301

 6/3,K/5   (Item 1 from file: 647)
DIALOG(R)File 647:CMP Computer Fulltext
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01195905   CMP ACCESSION NUMBER: EBN19990712S0003
Exploring Alternatives - A Growing Number Of Sites Offer A Variety Of
    Services, Ranging From Online Auctions To Detailed Catalogs To
    Comparative Technical Data.
ELECTRONIC BUYERS NEWS, **1999**, n 1168, PGE14
PUBLICATION DATE: 990712
JOURNAL CODE: EBN   LANGUAGE: English
RECORD TYPE: Fulltext
SECTION HEADING: Extra: Distribution
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  Industries ; Mediagrif Interactive Technologies Inc ; Memory Network ;
  Microcom Technologies Inc ; Motorola ; **National Semiconductor**
  Corp ; Need2Buy Inc ; NetBuy Corp ; Newark Electronics ; NECX Direct ;
  NECX Global Electronics Exchange ; Outsourced Internet...

  6/3,K/6   (Item 2 from file: 647)
DIALOG(R)File 647:CMP Computer Fulltext
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01187478   CMP ACCESSION NUMBER: EBN19990322S0071
National opens new sales channel
Diane Trommer
ELECTRONIC BUYERS NEWS, **1999,** n 1152, PG60
PUBLICATION DATE: 990322
JOURNAL CODE: EBN   LANGUAGE: English
RECORD TYPE: Fulltext
SECTION HEADING: Online @ EBN
WORD COUNT: 610

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COMPANY NAMES (DIALOG GENERATED): EDI ; Gibson ; Internet Content &
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  Corp ; Newark Electronics

Set   Items   Description
S1   8957839   PRODUCT? ? OR GOODS OR ITEM? ? OR MERCHANDISE
S2   7114490   PRICE? OR PRICING OR COST?
S3   180808   (S1 OR S2)(3N)COMPAR?
S4   3957677   ONLINE OR ON()LINE OR INTERNET OR INTRANET OR EXTRANET OR -
                 BROWSER? OR SERVER? ? OR WEB OR WEBSITE? OR WEBPAGE?
S5   882846   INVENTORY OR INVENTORIES OR IN()STOCK OR AVAILAB?(2N)(ITEM?
                 ? OR GOODS OR PRODUCT? ? OR MERCHANDISE)
S6   3980065   STORE OR STORES OR SHOP? ? OR SHOPPE OR SHOPPES OR RETAILE-
                 R? OR MERCHANT? OR VENDOR? OR SUPPLIER?
S7   217650   S6(3N)(OFFLINE OR OFF()LINE OR PHYSICAL? OR TRADITIONAL) OR
                 IN()STORE OR STORE()(BASED OR LEVEL) OR BRICK? ?(1W)(MORTAR -
                 OR CLICK? ?)
S8   274263   S6(5N)(LOCAL? OR LOCALE? OR LOCATION? OR GEOGRAPH? OR REGI-
                 ON? OR TOWN? OR NEIGHBORHOOD? OR ZIPCODE? OR ZIP()CODE? OR CI-
                 TY OR CITIES OR NEARBY)
S9   45302   S1(3N)(WILL()CALL OR HELD OR HOLD OR RESERV? OR PICK???(1W-
)UP OR PICKUP)
S10   20   S3(S)S4 AND S5(S)(S7 OR S8) AND S9
S11   1   S10 NOT PY>1998
S12   1   S11 NOT PD=>980901
S13   230   S3(S)S4 AND S5(S)(S7 OR S8)
S14   45   S13 NOT (PY>1998 OR S12)
S15   34   S14 NOT PD=>980901
S16   25   RD S15 (unique items)
S17   65373   S1(5N)(SEARCH? OR QUERY? OR QUERIE? ? OR REQUEST?)
S18   699799   ECOMMERCE OR (E OR ELECTRONIC)()COMMERCE OR (INTERNET OR W-
                 EB OR WEBSITE? OR ELECTRONIC OR ONLINE OR ON()LINE OR MULTICH-
                 ANNEL OR MULTI()CHANNEL)(3N)(RETAIL? OR STORE OR STORES OR ST-
                 OREFRONT? OR SHOP? ? OR SHOPPING OR COMMERCE)
S19   21742   S17(S)S4
S20   1428   (S18 OR S19)(S)S7(S)(S8 OR S9)
S21   120   S20/TI,DE,AB,LP
S22   26   S21 NOT (PY>1998 OR S12 OR S16)
S23   21   S22 NOT PD=>980901
S24   19   RD S23 (unique items)
S25   7   S19(S)S5(S)S8(S)S9
S26   1   S25 NOT (PY>1998 OR S12 OR S16 OR S24)
S27   1   S26 NOT PD=>980901
S28   14   S19(S)S8(S)S9
S29   6   S28 NOT (PY>1998 OR S12 OR S16 OR S24)
S30   4   S29 NOT PD=>980901
S31   4   RD S30 (unique items)

10188597   SUPPLIER NUMBER: 20232865   (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Food fighter. (NetGrocer) (Forbes ASAP) (Company Business and Marketing)
Freedman, David H.
Forbes, v161, n4, pS37(3)
Feb 23, 1998
ISSN: 0015-6914   LANGUAGE: English   RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract
WORD COUNT: 2290   LINE COUNT: 00179

...ABSTRACT: sell perishables and ready-to-eat food. NetGrocer differs
from other online shopping services, which **shop** at **local** grocery
stores . Instead, NetGrocer stocks items in a warehouse and removes the
items from its Web page if they are not **in**   **stock** . The driving force
behind NetGrocer is the understanding that most consider grocery shopping
to be a chore. NetGrocer tries to keep **prices** , including shipping **costs**
, **comparable** to those found in stores. Thanks to a deal with Federal
Express, customers pay $2...
...   all. "Our money is in our service, not in marble floors," he
shrugs.
    NetGrocer's **Web** site is, in fact, impressively clean and easy to
use. Blessedly free of Java, ActiveX...

...salt or fat content, and other characteristics. I spent a little more
than 10 minutes **picking**   **up**   some 20 **items** --about as long as it took me
to find a similar set of goods at...

...though it may be worth noting that it took three tries to get the
NetGrocer **server** to process my order). The **prices** , including delivery,
were **comparable** to those at my local supermarket.
    The obvious drawback to shopping with NetGrocer is the...

01709948 03-60938
The Technology Revolution Marches On
Mason, Arthur
Discount Merchandiser v38n5 PP: 56-58 May 1998
ISSN: 0012-3579 JRNL CODE: DMD
WORD COUNT: 1710

...TEXT: well known: the company orders directly from distributors when
customers make purchases, thus substantially decreasing **inventory** costs.
There are no stores to build or renovate and no leases to negotiate. And,
the company can build strong relationships with its customers in ways
store based retailers can only dream of.

Of course, there are challenges associated with online selling that...

...in this area, a huge advantage.

Aside from facilitating commerce between retailer and consumer, the
Internet   also   has   the   potential   to   dramatically   transform
business-to-business interactions. In fact, most industry observers say
that the amount of money companies can make via **online** selling to
consumers pales in **comparison**   to the **cost** savings that supply chain
partners can realize through **Internet** -enabled transactions.

For instance, the Internet eventually may completely reshape EDI as we know
it...

01663114 03-14104
Electronic shopping
Lohse, Gerald L; Spiller, Peter
Communications of the ACM v41n7 PP: 81-87 Jul 1998
ISSN: 0001-0782 JRNL CODE: ACM
WORD COUNT: 3155

ABSTRACT: Now more than ever, the promise of electronic commerce and
online   shopping will depend to a great extent on the interface and how
people interact with...

... between sales and user interface design. Limited menus, poorly designed
navigation, and the difficulty in **comparing** multiple **products** on the
same screen all have adverse effects on electronic shopping. **Online**
retail store attributes are reviewed, such as the number of links into the
store, image...
...TEXT: between sales and user interface design. Limited menus, poorly
designed navigation, and the difficulty in **comparing** multiple **products**
on the same screen all have adverse effects on electronic shopping [2]. Can
customers find...

... all, diligence in browsing a store is not a virtue retailers should
expect from its **online** customers.

We review online retail store attributes such as the number of links into
the...

...about quantity, quality, and variety of products from the brand names or
reputation of the **physical**   **store** . Unfortunately, not all **products**
available   in the merchant's catalog or real store are available online
[4]. This leads to...

... 50 products [12]. The number of products in a store explains 17% of all variance **in** **store** traffic but had no effect on sales [8]. This implies big stores are less effective...link to the master index from every page on the site.

Current systems restrict consumer **comparison** of **products** by attribute because it is difficult to **compare** **products** simultaneously [2]. **Product** lists often present information in a confusing or unfamiliar format. An alphabetic product list might...

... to start shopping. Consumers also find it difficult to remember where something was in the **online** store whereas the real store has many physical cues (second floor near appliances). This is...

 16/3,K/3 **(Item 3 from file: 15)**
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01652262 03-03252
Personal computing
Goldsborough, Reid
Office Systems v15n4 PP: 32 Apr 1998
ISSN: 8750-3441 JRNL CODE: OFS
WORD COUNT: 775

...TEXT: listed since printed prices may have changed since the ad was created.

If you have **Internet** access, **Web** sites such as Computer Shopper's NetBuyer (http://www.netbuyer.com) automate the process of **comparing** **prices** of the same product from different vendors.

Used Software. If you don't have a...

... market-like events are held on weekends at race tracks, convention centers, and college campuses. **Vendors** range from **regional** distributors trying to clear out **inventory** to individual entrepreneurs. Check newspaper or magazine ads for shows near you.
However, don't...

 16/3,K/4 **(Item 4 from file: 15)**
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01651359 03-02349
Bargain hunting on the Web
Coward, Cheryl
Black Enterprise v28n12 PP: 89-92 Jul 1998
ISSN: 0006-4165 JRNL CODE: BEN
WORD COUNT: 1612

...TEXT: the world, and Music Boulevard (www.musicblvd.com) offer discounts on much of their online **inventory** ; everchanging sales are posted on the sites. You can also listen to music clips, read...

... and pre-order upcoming CDs-they'll arrive on your doorstep the day they hit **traditional** music **stores** .

COMPUTER HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE

Even Web novices can find great deals in the huge online...sale and arrive on the market.

Bottomdollar (www.bottomdollar. com) lets you search for the **online** retailer with the best prices. Virtual Emporium (www. virtualemporium.com) features sales and specials on...

...CompareNet (www.comparenet.com) offers a gift guide in addi- tion to its search and **compare** **product** listings.

ONLINE AUCTIONS

Auctions are the riskiest of all online purchasing options, especially if you...

 16/3,K/5 **(Item 5 from file: 15)**
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01601114 02-52103
The mother of all malls
Kotkin, Joel
Forbes Forbes ASAP Supplement PP: 60-65 Apr 6, 1998
ISSN: 0015-6914 JRNL CODE: FBR
WORD COUNT: 2190

...TEXT: their legions of stores, warehouses, and trucks into an ultraefficient distribution web and allowed relentless **inventory** finetuning. By the early 1990s companies such as Wal-Mart, Toys "R" Us, and the much as **traditional** department **store** chains. But price competition ·
became cutthroat and retail margins fell by 12% over the past...

... a framed print, after the retailer's markup, when you could buy it on the **Web** at a near-wholesale price about 40% to 50% less through ArtSelectleaving Crystal with a...

...that his company could sell its books out of a warehouse at 70% of list **price** , **compared** to the 60% Amazon.com pays.

What's the holdup then? Manufacturers hesitate to anger...

 16/3,K/6 **(Item 6 from file: 15)**
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01585611 02-36600
ManageNet
Goldsborough, Reid
CMA Magazine v72n1 PP: 33 Feb 1998
ISSN: 0831-3881 JRNL CODE: RIA
WORD COUNT: 772

...TEXT: listed since printed prices may have changed since the ad was created.

If you have **Internet** access, **Web** sites such as Computer Shopper's NetBuyer (www.netbuyer.com) automate the process of **comparing** **prices** of the same product from different vendors.

Used software. If you don't have a...

... flea marketlike events are held on weekends at race tracks, convention centers, and university campuses. **Vendors** range from **regional** distributors trying to clear out **inventory** to individual entrepreneurs. Check newspaper or magazine ads for shows near you.
Don't buy...

 16/3,K/7 **(Item 7 from file: 15)**
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01555322 02-06311
How to save money on software
Goldsborough, Reid
Link-Up v15n1 PP: 9, 16 Jan/Feb 1998
ISSN: 0739-988X JRNL CODE: LUP
WORD COUNT: 769

...TEXT: listed as printed prices may have changed since the ad was
created.

If you have **Internet** access, **Web** sites such as Computer Shopper's
NetBuyer (http:// www.netbuyer.com) automate the process of **comparing
prices** of the same product from different vendors.

Used software

If you don't have a...

... market-like events are held on weekends at race tracks, convention
centers, and college campuses. **Vendors** range from **regional** distributors
trying to clear out **inventory** to individual entrepreneurs. Check
newspaper or magazine ads for shows near you.

Don't buy...

 16/3,K/8   **(Item 8 from file: 15)**
DIALOG(R)File 15:ABI/Inform(R)
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01541257 01-92245
Preparing for the new remote access
Taylor, William E
Telecommunications (Americas Edition) v31n11 PP: 67-68 Nov 1997
ISSN: 0278-4831 JRNL CODE: TEC
WORD COUNT: 1256

...TEXT: model, generate a complete claim form on the spot, and provide a
list of approved **local** repair **shops** . Salespeople can close business
faster and more often by accessing the corporate database to run on-line
demonstrations, check if a product is **in** **stock** , get updated pricing
information, and book the order on-line. Customer support representatives
access their...frame relay or ISDN. Built-in router capabilities let users
connect to corporate backbones and **Internet** providers with a single unit,
which also reduces equipment and management **costs** .

The **comparison** between tactical and strategic remote access systems is
analogous to local and wide area network...

 16/3,K/9   **(Item 9 from file: 15)**
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01509241 01-60229
Do you see what I see? The future of virtual shopping
Burke, Raymond R
Journal of the Academy of Marketing Science v25n4 PP: 352-360 Fall 1997
ISSN: 0092-0703 JRNL CODE: AMK
WORD COUNT: 7329

...TEXT: 1997).

Whereas electronic shopping may be threatening to existing retailers who
have substantial investments in **physical** **stores** , it offers several
benefits to a new breed of electronic merchant who designs his or...

... By having one centralized warehouse instead of many individual stores,

the merchant can carry less **inventory** , offer a greater variety of
merchandise, and serve a larger geographic region. The warehouse can...

... shipped directly from manufacturers. A study by Cap Gemini Consulting
indicated that by eliminating the **physical store** and the associated
operating costs, **Internet** retailers can triple profit margins (or cut
prices by 12%) **compared** to the conventional retailer (see Cope 1996,
fig. 1).

The Internet retailer is also in... and replacement. Demand for
Internet-based shopping depends, instead, on how well this new format
compares on **price** and performance to other, substitute retail formats.
As Peterson et al. (1997) note, "There is no intuitive reason why the
Internet , or any service based thereon, will in and of itself cause
consumers to spend more. Rather, use of the **Internet** in marketing to
consumers will more likely result in a redistribution of revenues among
channels the landscape of retailing. By building large **stores** in
inexpensive **locations** and using sophisticated information systems, bulk
purchasing, centralized **inventory** , and continuous replenishment to cut
costs, these chains can offer shoppers extensive selections of products...

... Internet merchants would seem to have the advantage. They are
unencumbered by the overhead of **physical stores** , have larger trading
areas, and can offer an almost unlimited selection of merchandise.

Conventional retailers...

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01493156 01-44144
Reinvention reigns
Michel, Roberto
Manufacturing Systems v15n7 PP: 28-92 Jul 1997
ISSN: 0748-948X JRNL CODE: MFS
WORD COUNT: 25093

...TEXT: planning product permits users to view a "virtual enterprise" on
their computer screens, where all **inventory locations** -including
customer and **supplier locations** -are examined. With access to this
information, users generate distribution requirements plans, multiplant
master schedules...

... plans. Users go as far as planning material requirements and
replenishments for all facilities where **inventory** is stored and goods are
manufactured-including trading partners' facilities-right from their
desktops.

The... they cause harm by presenting a real-time view of inventory levels,
actual-to-planned **cost comparisons** , and current profit and loss
information. "It's important for managers to see on the first day of the
month whether their material and labor costs are **on -line** ," he says.
"They must know immediately if costs are going to be higher than expected
...

16/3,K/11   (Item 11 from file: 15)
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01448039 00-99026
**Interactive home shopping: Consumer, retailer, and manufacturer incentives
to participate in electronic marketplaces**
Alba, Joseph; Lynch, John; Weitz, Barton; Janiszewski, Chris; et al
Journal of Marketing v61n3 PP: 38-53 Jul 1997
ISSN: 0022-2429 JRNL CODE: JMK

...TEXT: cannot search quickly and easily for specific items of merchandise, nor can they screen and **compare merchandise** on the basis of their idiosyncratic desires. Individual retailers provide road maps to facilitate search... search agents such as Bargain Finder (http://bf.cstar.ac.com/bf/) are created to **compare prices** charged by ...is important.

To offset the ability of IHS retailers to provide personalized information at home, **in -store** retailers should improve the personalized information they offer using their sales associates or **in -store** kiosks. For example, Best Buy uses kiosks extensively to alleviate **physical store** constraints and provide detailed product information. Media Play uses instore listening stations to enable acoustic...
... of which greatly reduce search costs inherent in navigating a huge and heterogeneous on-site **inventory** .

Because IHS retailers can provide greater informational benefits, in-store retailers must emphasize ancillary benefits...

 16/3,K/12   (Item 12 from file: 15)
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01395869 00-46856
Electronic commerce in retailing: Differences across retail formats
Palmer, Jonathan W
Information Society v13n1 PP: 75-91 Jan-Mar 1997
ISSN: 0197-2243 JRNL CODE: INS

ABSTRACT: The impact of electronic commerce in retailing is detailed. Four retail formats are examined: 1. **in -store** , 2. catalog, 3. cable TV, and 4. the World Wide **Web** . One hundred and twenty products were shopped across the four formats to identify distinctions between...

... suggested in terms of the degree of interactivity, the level of information supplied about the **product** , the ability to **compare products** , and the degree of human intermediation. The results show a significant difference in **product** description, shopping **availability** , speed of delivery, and time taken to shop between the four formats. Total cost of...

 16/3,K/13   (Item 13 from file: 15)
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01208832 98-58227
The Internet and international marketing
Quelch, John A; Klein, Lisa R
Sloan Management Review v37n3 PP: 60-75 Spring 1996
ISSN: 0019-848X JRNL CODE: SMZ
WORD COUNT: 9906

...TEXT: put out a request for proposal for equipment over the Internet, secure bids, select a **supplier** without going through **local** brokers and distributors, and have the products delivered directly by DHL or Federal Express. Few buffer **inventories** will be needed in the worldwide distribution system and less working capital will therefore be tied up in **inventory** .

However, if intermediaries can perform a different mix of services, made necessary by the Internet...can collect pricing information through robots from various sources around the world, so consumers can **compare prices** and **products** . This is especially important in emerging markets where such sources of information (like Consumer Reports...

... that a user requests.31 In response, many sites are building software codes into their **servers** to block the robots so that they can continue to vary prices and product offerings...

16/3,K/14   (Item 14 from file: 15)
DIALOG(R)File 15:ABI/Inform(R)

00939967 95-89359
Client-server systems: Opportunities and challenges
Tsay, Bor-Yi
CPA Journal v64n11 PP: 30-34 Nov 1994
ISSN: 0732-8435 JRNL CODE: CPA
WORD COUNT: 3167

...TEXT: large retail company may have a number of stores, ranging from dozens to hundreds. Each **store** can have a **local** area network (LAN) to support local management functions, including pricing decisions and **inventory** control. The store LANs are connected to the headquarters' computer system and form a company-wide client-server system. Headquarters executives can access **inventory** data on an individual-store basis or on company-wide aggregates. For example, according to...

...Business Week, executives of K-Mart have reportedly used a client-server system to access **inventory** data at the **store** **level** and aggregate it in order to make tactical pricing decisions for the disposition of some... than traditional systems.

Cost
Some reports indicate that the cost of a PC-based client-**server** system is significantly lower than that of a mainframe-based computer system. However, the **cost** **comparisons** are often biased and incomplete. If one examines only the hardware cost of a PC-based client-**server** system, it is certainly lower than that of a mainframe computer system. However, if one ...

...security and control, training, and technical support, the total cost of a PC-based client- **server** system is probably not cheaper. Management should be aware of those other costs, which are...

16/3,K/15   (Item 15 from file: 15)
DIALOG(R)File 15:ABI/Inform(R)

00743911 93-93132
The impact of telecommunications on inventory management
Udo, Godwin J
Production & Inventory Management Journal v34n2 PP: 32-37 Second Quarter 1993
ISSN: 0897-8336 JRNL CODE: PIM
WORD COUNT: 4056

ABSTRACT: Telecommunications has significant impacts on most aspects of operations in both manufacturing and service industries. **Inventory** management benefits the most from technology applications. Telecommunications technology impacts: 1. price analysis, 2. procurement, 3. inbound logistics, 4. sales/marketing, 5. outbound logistics, and 6. storing and distributing **inventory** . Also, it has a role in electronic data interchange (EDI), just in time (JIT), and...

... JIT-required relationships between firms and suppliers. It provides the media and means of linking **geographically** separated firms and **suppliers** , allowing them to communicate on a continuing basis. Time-based competition requires a seamless integration...
...TEXT: storing, sales and marketing, and distribution.

PRICE ANALYSIS

Telecommunications technology gives firms access to several **on -line** electronics bulletin boards and databases in order to **compare prices** on national and international bases. With the availability of abundant price information, firms can pick... scrap, higher product quality, increased productivity, and overall customer satisfaction. In a JIT environment, the **traditional** relationship between **suppliers** and customers becomes inefficient and inhibitory. The JIT environment requires a warmer, closer relationship between...

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02140525   SUPPLIER NUMBER: 20232865
Food fighter. (NetGrocer) (Forbes ASAP) (Company Business and Marketing)
Freedman, David H.
Forbes, v161, n4, pS37(3)
Feb 23, 1998
ISSN: 0015-6914   LANGUAGE: English   RECORD TYPE: Abstract

ABSTRACT: NetGrocer, founded by Daniel Nissan, seeks to bring grocery shopping to the **Internet** , and it is not clear whether the effort will succeed. NetGrover sells only non-perishable...

...only be used to sell perishables and ready-to-eat food. NetGrocer differs from other **online** shopping services, which **shop** at **local** grocery **stores** . Instead, NetGrocer stocks items in a warehouse and removes the items from its **Web** page if they are not **in stock** . The driving force behind NetGrocer is the understanding that most consider grocery shopping to be a chore. NetGrocer tries to keep **prices** , including shipping **costs** , **comparable** to those found in stores. Thanks to a deal with Federal Express, customers pay $2...

16/3,K/17   (Item 2 from file: 275)
DIALOG(R)File 275:Gale Group Computer DB(TM)
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02015735   SUPPLIER NUMBER: 18894343   (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Physical reality, mental agility-distribution in the information age.
(includes related articles on the effects of interacting technology on
banking, sophisticated management systems for automobile mechanics)
(Technology Information)
Ratcliffe, Mitch
Digital Media, v6, n4, p3(11)
Oct, 1996
ISSN: 1056-7038   LANGUAGE: English   RECORD TYPE: Fulltext
WORD COUNT: 6388   LINE COUNT: 00501

...   hardware stores have continued to compete by serving narrower niches of the market, sculpting their **inventory** and staff's expertise to the very unique needs of a neighborhood or small **town** . Business failures among hardware **stores** are below the national average, according to The Encyclopedia of American Industries. Hardware remains one...digital lubricants.
     We believe that in the long term, Web sites will be a commodity; **priced** very low **compared** to today's multi-million dollar trends. That's not to say that there will not be a healthy business in putting together the pieces of a **Web** presence, but the bill for this development will likely be spread across many businesses that share the wealth of the **Internet** market. Some advertising revenue will offset or eliminate the cost of sites, probably through a...

...that features their products. Much of the reduced cost will come from

the rush into **Web** design by ad agencies, young designers and others with
some graphics and coding talents. But the keystone to a low-cost **Web**
foundation for the digital economy will likely be the massive subsidization
of site development by companies that want to knit the **Web** into a rich
set of systems that reduce production and delivery costs, improve feedback
to...

16/3,K/18   (Item 3 from file: 275)
DIALOG(R)File 275:Gale Group Computer DB(TM)
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01760845   SUPPLIER NUMBER: 16649295   (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
**This little CD goes 2Market: shopping disc opens the door to online
commerce. (2Market Inc's 2Market CD-ROM)(Product Announcement)**
McManus, Neil
Digital Media, v00000004, n9, p16(4)
Feb 10, 1995
DOCUMENT TYPE: Product Announcement   ISSN: 1056-7038   LANGUAGE:
    ENGLISH   RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT
WORD COUNT: 2748   LINE COUNT: 00205

...   sidesteps one of the obvious benefits of shopping with a computer:
the consumer can't **compare** the quality and **price** of a variety of
products before making a purchase. Moreover, the disc includes a copy of
America **Online** 's client software, but takes little advantage of the
direct connection between the consumer and the retailer. A 2Market bulletin
board notifies America **Online** subscribers of special offers on products
in the retail catalogs. But why isn't there...of feedback.
     If 2Market doesn't evolve to facilitate real-time access to the
retailers' **inventories** , it's unlikely 2Market will succeed in converting
shoppers to electronic ordering, since they can more easily call a **local**
retailer to find this information immediately. Shopping online has to be
more convenient than a trip...

16/3,K/19   (Item 1 from file: 16)
DIALOG(R)File 16:Gale Group PROMT(R)
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07053375   Supplier Number: 58399363   (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
CHECKLIST: WEB STORE DESIGN.(Internet/Web/Online Service Information)
Soft-Letter, v14, n6, p4
Dec 15, 1997
Language: English   Record Type: Fulltext
Document Type: Newsletter; Trade
Word Count: 1255

...   strong inducements to attract traffic.
     () Is there a why-to-buy-here message? In the **physical** world, some
stores are known as the "best place" for premium brands (Nieman-Marcus),
others for discount prices (Costco), and still others for depth of product
line (Home Depot). Relatively few **Web** stores have developed comparable
"why-to-buy-here" positioning statements about themselves; they tend to be
little more than bland catalogs of products, with limited **inventory** and a
fuzzy approach to service. Consumers tend to focus on **price** **comparisons**
when they don't see a better why-to-buy-here statement--and since
publishers usually charge list price for direct sales transactions, their
Web stores tend to get a reputation for price gouging.
     () Is there a broad product selection...
...SKUs that resellers don't carry. And when there's no other source for a
product , **price** **comparisons** become meaningless.
     () DO customers get a warm welcome? Many of the best-managed retail
chains...

16/3,K/20   (Item 2 from file: 16)
DIALOG(R)File 16:Gale Group PROMT(R)

04593372   Supplier Number: 46753827   (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
**ZD Net Launches First One-Stop-Computer-Shopping Web Site, an
Up-to-the-Minute Guide to 40,000 Products**
PR Newswire, p0930NEM006
Sept 30, 1996
Language: English   Record Type: Fulltext
Document Type: Newswire; Trade
Word Count: 1890

...   on the Web by providing users with a free service that enables them
to instantly **compare products** and make secure purchasing transactions
without having to spend time jumping from one site to...advertising sales
by signing on 188 charter advertisers before launch. NetBuyer offers three
advertising options: **traditional** ad banners, direct **vendor** product
listings to appear in the shopping database, and weekly manufacturer or
reseller "Special Offers...

...first 200 product listings for free. In addition, they can opt to
purchase a limited **inventory** of weekly Special Offers, or pop-up ads that
highlight special, limited-time offers. Four...
...to quickly and easily identify the products that match their needs,
providing side-by-side **product comparisons** , vendor special offers, and
editorial buying advice. Product listings are tightly integrated with
trusted editorial from the ZD Net **Web** site, including its collection of
more than 11,000 **comparative product** reviews from the company's lab
testing and benchmark facilities.
      About ZD Net
      Cambridge, Massachusetts...

 16/3,K/21   (Item 3 from file: 16)
DIALOG(R)File   16:Gale Group PROMT(R)

04569673   Supplier Number: 46717147   (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
**Ziff-Davis Signs Up 189 Advertisers for the Coming Launch of its Computer
Shopper NetBuyer Web Site**
PR Newswire, p0916NEM015
Sept 16, 1996
Language: English   Record Type: Fulltext
Document Type: Newswire; Trade
Word Count: 1463

...   quickly and easily guide users through the entire buying process,
from identifying their needs, to **comparing products** , to selecting and
even purchasing the hardware, software or peripherals that fulfill their
requirements (actual...

...through vendors). NetBuyer unites the most powerful print vehicle for
the direct channel with the **Internet** , the fastest growing medium for
information and purchasing anywhere.
      "At Spring Comdex, when we began...

...population of avid computer users."
      Charter Program Success
      Computer Shopper NetBuyer offers three advertising options:
traditional ad banners, direct **vendor** product listings to appear in the
shopping database, and weekly manufacturer or reseller "Special Offers...

...first 200 product listings for free. In addition, they can opt to
purchase a limited **inventory** of weekly Special Offers, or pop-up ads that
highlight special, limited-time offers. Four...to quickly and easily
identify the products that match their needs, providing side-by-side
product comparisons , vendor special offers, and editorial buying advice.
Product listings are tightly integrated with Ziff- Davis' trusted
editorial, including its collection of more than 11,000 **comparative**

product reviews from the company's lab testing and benchmark facilities.
    About ZD Net
    Cambridge, Massachusetts...

16/3,K/22   (Item 1 from file: 148)
DIALOG(R)File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB
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10007962   SUPPLIER NUMBER: 20219249   (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Internet commerce and state/local sales taxes.(Editorial)
Esser, Jeffrey L.
Government Finance Review, v13, n6, p5(1)
Dec, 1997
DOCUMENT TYPE: Editorial   ISSN: 0883-7856   LANGUAGE: English
RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract
WORD COUNT: 1138   LINE COUNT: 00095

...   tremendous competitive disadvantage and there will be a staggering
loss of revenue to states and **localities** .
    Local   merchants will be disadvantaged for several reasons. First,
Main Street businesses must own or rent a...

...a staff available to serve the public. They normally must maintain some
basic level of **inventory** . While some businesses operating over the
Internet incur these same expenses, many have centralized, highly automated
operations, fewer overhead expenses, no **local   store** , no **local**
employees to pay, and minimal **inventory** .
    Even more significant is the fact that Main Street businesses are
required to collect the...
...at the point of purchase of the goods or services they offer. The
ability of **Internet** businesses to sell similar **merchandise** or provide
comparable services while excused from the collection of sales tax means
that sales will naturally migrate to the **Internet** . Finally, small
businesses and other segments of the community would have a greater share
of...

...order to make up for the state and local revenue that would be lost to
Internet sales. The resulting loss of business to local merchants means
reduced sales taxes and fewer...

...fair share of taxes which support vital state and local services,
companies selling over the **Internet** would enjoy the full advantage of
these same services without providing any support. Despite the...

...tax system would require that all sales - Main Street retail sales,
mail-order sales and **Internet** sales-be treated alike.
    In July 1997, the Clinton administration issued "A Framework for
Global...

16/3,K/23   (Item 2 from file: 148)
DIALOG(R)File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB
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09123367   SUPPLIER NUMBER: 18866502   (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
**Microsoft breaks through, tops database chart.(VARBusiness' Annual Report
 Card) (Company Business and Marketing)**
Doyle, T.C.
VARbusiness, v12, n17, p208(4)
Oct 15, 1996
ISSN: 0894-5802   LANGUAGE: English   RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract
WORD COUNT: 1760   LINE COUNT: 00172

...ABSTRACT: in VARBusiness' annual survey of VAR satisfaction rates,
scoring very highly in the categories of **product   availability** , **product**
 quality and products/pricing. Progress Software's second-place ranking is
the result of top...

...because of the product's tight integration with SQL Server 6.5. The scores of **traditional** DBMS **vendors** Oracle, Sybase and Informix Software are hampered by those companies' inability to penetrate the small...
     Microsoft scored an 81 in **product** quality, **compared** with the average of 74. Even more impressive was Microsoft's 85 in product availability...

...of the criteria. It's safe to say that VARs were very happy with SQL **Server** and Microsoft's efforts to help them resell it in large quantities.
     Even though Microsoft...

 16/3,K/24   (Item 3 from file: 148)
DIALOG(R)File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB
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08860930   SUPPLIER NUMBER: 18479039
Buyers' guide to software. (purchasing department software)(Buyers Guide)
Avery, Susan
Purchasing, v120, n11, p125(10)
July 11, 1996
DOCUMENT TYPE: Buyers Guide   ISSN: 0033-4448   LANGUAGE: English
RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract
WORD COUNT: 7168   LINE COUNT: 00637

...   of Materials, Material Requirements Planning (MRP), Capacity Requirements Planning, Purchase Orders, Sales Orders, Labor Distribution, **Physical   Inventory** , **Shop** Floor Control, plus links to 15 leading accounting programs and an AutoCAD interface. Tel: (800...Information Corporation (EPIC). CONNECTSUS from EPIC, an affiliate of Thomas Publishing Company, is a client/**server** system that connects buyers and suppliers through a streamlined, unbiased **online** procurement and information management system. Buyers can research and **compare   products** , enter orders **online** and transmit multiple orders simultaneously via EDI. CONNECTSUS enables suppliers to load their products into...expenses and cash. Features include: Full Purchase Order module for tracking purchases; accepts handwritten or **offline** checks for **supplier** analysis and expense distribution; selects bills for payment by individual invoice, and by supplier and...

 16/3,K/25   (Item 4 from file: 148)
DIALOG(R)File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB
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08656649   SUPPLIER NUMBER: 18254297   (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Cyberspace: the last frontier. (Internet as a marketing tool for music
 stores)(NARM Goes to Washington)
Atwood, Brent
Billboard, v108, n13, p64(1)
March 30, 1996
ISSN: 0006-2510   LANGUAGE: English   RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract
WORD COUNT: 1114   LINE COUNT: 00088

...   Tower store.
     "I hope some day our customers will be able to dial up their **local** **store** and check the **inventory** to see if their purchase is **in   stock** ," said Farrace in a recent industry speech.
     Blockbuster Music has yet to try commerce on...

...technologies that automatically seek out the best possible retail price for music purchases on the **Internet** . For example, Andersen Consulting (http://www.ac.com) has recently unleashed a **price -comparison** software called "Bargain-Finder." Potential customers simply type in the name of the artist and CD that they wish to purchase, and "BargainFinder" scans the **Internet** for the best retail price available. Some CD retailers are already trying to block the...

24/3,K/1   (Item 1 from file: 15)
DIALOG(R)File 15:ABI/Inform(R)

01539903 01-90891
First fraud-proof cybercoupons
Hein, Kenneth
Incentive v171n10 PP: 14 Oct 1997
ISSN: 1042-5195 JRNL CODE: IMK
WORD COUNT: 292

...ABSTRACT: first fraud-proof Internet coupon. By clicking on the coupon,
the consumer can select a **local** **retailer** where they can redeem the
coupon. At the retailer, the clerk scans in the coupon and a manufacturer's
coupon is automatically distributed from the **in - store** printer.
SuperMarkets **Online** (www.supermarkets.com)

24/3,K/2   (Item 2 from file: 15)
DIALOG(R)File 15:ABI/Inform(R)

01358770 00-09757
Wal-Mart ups the pace
Caldwell, Bruce
Informationweek n609 PP: 37-51 Dec 9, 1996
ISSN: 8750-6874 JRNL CODE: IWK
WORD COUNT: 2673

...ABSTRACT: analysis and what-if scenarios. Item Locator is an application
on handheld computers that lets **store** clerks look up which **nearby**
stores are still carrying stock items that are sold out in that
particular outlet. RetailLink, Wal-Mart's **electronic** data interchange
system for connecting to its suppliers, already provides weekly forecasting
data to more...

... keypad, bar-code scanner, a 15-line character display, and radio
frequency communications with the **in -store** servers, it is what is now
called a network computer. ...

24/3,K/3   (Item 3 from file: 15)
DIALOG(R)File 15:ABI/Inform(R)

00296235 85-36669
Shopping by TV or PC: Is It Viable?
Anonymous
Chain Store Age Executive v61n10 (Section 2) PP: 8-14 Oct 1985
ISSN: 0193-1199 JRNL CODE: CSA

ABSTRACT: A survey of some 500 consumers in various US **cities** was
conducted by Chain **Store** Age Executive to assess consumer attitudes
concerning **electronic** **shopping** and to measure the impact consumer
electronic **shopping** might have on the retail level. The study results
indicate that consumers still are not ready to accept at-home systems as an
alternative to **in - store** shopping. Only 12% of those with access to
cable television shopping channels are ''at least...

24/3,K/4   (Item 1 from file: 275)
DIALOG(R)File 275:Gale Group Computer DB(TM)

01951166   SUPPLIER NUMBER: 18418824   (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Lessening Internet speed penalties. (Intersights)(PC Week Netweek)
(Internet/Web/Online Service Information)(Column)
Sullivan, Eamonn

...ABSTRACT: Users currently have two solutions to this problem, offline
Web access software and "smart" proxies. **Offline** readers **store** entire
web sites **locally** , so users can view them at a later time. The smart
proxy servers perform the...

24/3,K/5   (Item 1 from file: 16)

05826362   Supplier Number: 50335653   (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
Selling Local on the Global Network
Interactive Home, pN/A
August 1, 1998
Language: English   Record Type: Fulltext
Article Type: Article
Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade
Word Count: 336

    (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
TEXT:
...DeBenedictis, is running a network across the US with some advertisers
fully enabled to conduct **online**   **commerce** , while other advertisers are
nowhere near enabled. Digital City's mix of advertisers covers a very broad
range of retailers and service providers. While many of these **local**
retailers are not ready for **online**   **commerce** , they are ready to have
traffic driven to their **brick** -and-**mortar** stores.

24/3,K/6   (Item 2 from file: 16)

05391060   Supplier Number: 48196088   (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
COMPUTER CITY **ADDS** IN- STORE   ONLINE **HELP**
HFN The Weekly Newspaper for the Home Furnishing Network, p52
Dec 29, 1997
Language: English   Record Type: Fulltext
Document Type: Magazine/Journal; General
Word Count: 160

COMPUTER CITY **ADDS** IN- STORE   ONLINE **HELP**

24/3,K/7   (Item 3 from file: 16)

04770663   Supplier Number: 47022443
PC shoppers prove to have a fickle heart.
The New York Times, pC1
Jan 8, 1997
Language: English   Record Type: Abstract
Document Type: Newspaper; General

ABSTRACT:
Following the success of 1995 has been very hard for most **traditional**
consumer electronics **retailers** like Circuit **City** , Best Buy and Tandy
Corp., who have been reporting big loses for 1996. In December...

...home. Since these consumers are more computer literate they have chosen
direct marketers over the **traditional** consumer electronics **retailers** .

Also the percentage on n●first time buyers, who general●shop at the
electronic retailers has not increased significantly. Article also
includes fourth quarter estimated sales figures and a chart...

 24/3,K/8   (Item 4 from file: 16)
DIALOG(R)File 16:Gale Group PROMT(R)
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04764691   Supplier Number: 47014012 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
In-Store Promotions Examined
The Food Institute Report, v70, n1, pN/A
Jan 6, 1997
Language: English   Record Type: Fulltext
Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade
Word Count: 191

     (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
TEXT:
In a survey of shoppers attitudes towards a variety of **in -store**
promotion techniques, a Colorado-based market research firm has identified
the techniques which are most...

...Cottrell of Louisville, KY, examined a number of promotional ideas
ranging from coupons at various **locations** within the **store** to special
displays and demonstrations and scored and ranked them based on consumers
satisfaction and involvement. AND the winner ...the **in -store** product
discount was determined to be most likely to attract a positive response
from shoppers. Next in line of acceptability were coupons available on the
product package, followed by **in -store** sampling and demonstrations, and
then coupons from mechanical dispensers located near the promoted product.
The...

...of multiple purchases to earn a free item. Slightly less unpopular were
coupons selected from **electronic** terminal before **shopping** and coupons
given at the time of check-out. A free 32 page brochure describing...

 24/3,K/9   (Item 5 from file: 16)
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04245251   Supplier Number: 46215702 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
VIDEO NOTES: Paramount Home Video
Video Week, v17, n11, pN/A
March 11, 1996
Language: English   Record Type: Fulltext
Document Type: Newsletter; Trade
Word Count: 91

     (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
TEXT:
Paramount Home Video has new **Web** site with **"Store** Search" search engine
(http://www.paramount.com/homevideo). Service directs consumer to their
nearest video **store** **based** on **zip** **code** . About 4,000 video **stores**
now are included, and Paramount soon will invite others to join. There also
will be...

 24/3,K/10   (Item 6 from file: 16)
DIALOG(R)File 16:Gale Group PROMT(R)
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03347399   Supplier Number: 44635894 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
Valassis Acquires In-store Marketing Firm
Printing Impressions, pN/A
May, 1994
Language: English   Record Type: Fulltext

Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade
Word Count: 123

   (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
TEXT:
LIVONIA, MI - Valassis Communications Inc. (VCI) has acquired the assets of
EMARC, an **in -store** marketing company, for an undisclosed sum. Specific
terms of the acquisition were not disclosed. EMARC has a network of **in -
store electronic** (LED) signs that feature promotional messages from
package goods manufacturers. More than 5,000 U.S. grocery stores currently
display the signs, with messages customized by **region** , market, chain or
individual **store** . 'We see this purchase as a platform to expand our
promotion expertise into the growing area of **in -store** vehicles,'
remarks David A. Brandon, president and CEO of Valassis. 'Acquiring EMARC
gives VCI the necessary infrastructure and distribution channel to begin an
 in -store operation. It also provides an opportunity for VCI to build
important relationships with retailers.'

  24/3,K/11   (Item 7 from file: 16)
DIALOG(R)File 16:Gale Group PROMT(R)
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01071449   Supplier Number: 41190526 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
Beat Street tries negotiating for use of Crazy Eddie name
HFD-The Weekly Home Furnishings Newspaper, v0, n0, p92
Feb 26, 1990
Language: English   Record Type: Fulltext
Document Type: Magazine/Journal; Trade
Word Count: 89

   (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
TEXT:
NEW YORK -- Beat Street, a four-unit **electronic** specialty **store   based**
here, opened a **location** in Brooklyn using the Crazy Eddie name at its
newest **location** , formerly a Crazy Eddie **store** .

  24/3,K/12   (Item 1 from file: 160)
DIALOG(R)File 160:Gale Group PROMT(R)
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02256983
Capital Cities buys stake in billboard firm
Supermarket News   August 7, 1989   p. 40
ISSN: 0039-5803

     In - Store Advertising had a minority stake acquired by Capital
 Cities /ABC Video Enterprises. **In -Store** Advertising developed an
 electronic over-the-aisle billboard system. The billboard displays point
of purchase advertising and pricing messages...

  24/3,K/13   (Item 2 from file: 160)
DIALOG(R)File 160:Gale Group PROMT(R)
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01010536
Marketwatch: Cashing in on the computer market.
Marketing Communications   March, 1984   p. 14-181

     ... 20 percent directly from the retail outlet. There are 2 separate
sales forces, one for **in -store** only and one which sells both direct and
in the store. General manager J Testement...

... one of its biggest strengths. The addition of separate computer centers
to its Radio Shack **electronic   stores** alleviated problems in product
support and inventory. Radio Shack maintains a competitive stance in

customer...

... Systems Centers salespeople are trained initially on the product systems, and follow-up programs are **held** via **product** updates and seminars.   ...

 24/3,K/14   (Item 1 from file: 148)
DIALOG(R)File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB
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10299036   SUPPLIER NUMBER: 20868631   (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
RIDING THE INTERNET HOW MUCH WILL IT COST TO GET ON, HOW FAR CAN IT TAKE YOU AND ARE YOU SURE YOU'RE READY?
Supermarket News, v48, n25, p71(1)
June 22, 1998
ISSN: 0039-5803   LANGUAGE: English   RECORD TYPE: Fulltext
WORD COUNT: 1304   LINE COUNT: 00101

TEXT:
      While a few **retailers** , notably **on -line** bookseller amazon.com, have had rapid growth with Internet sales, many companies are still uncertain...

...buy via the Web. Even if consumers show increased willingness to purchase products over the **Internet** , supermarket **retailers** are wondering if it makes economic and operational sense for them to sell on-line...

...delivering supermarket products, as well as competition from third-party companies specializing in these functions. **Electronic   commerce** may be one area where supermarkets' traditionally conservative approach is appropriate. Many retailers are taking measured steps into **on -line shopping** , limiting the number and type of products they sell and offering store pick-up rather...

...will, retailers may have no choice but to offer at least some of their products **on -line** . One scenario has **retailers** making scheduled home deliveries of nonperishable staple **items** , with stores **reserved** for meat, seafood and fresh produce. Following are the comments of several distributors on the current and future **e -commerce** possibilities for the supermarket industry: Alan Tempest director, marketing Genuardi's Family Markets Norristown, Pa...

...genuardis.com Within the next year, we plan to use our Web site for an **electronic -commerce** application, offering items such as gift baskets and deli trays. Customers would be able to...

...of what's on the screen. When there's access that easy for the masses, e -**commerce** will be a significant force -- when the Web is available in the living room, den...

...than retailers. What retailers can do is take some intermediate steps. One idea is using **in -store** picking to fulfill home-shopping orders. Mike Brown manager, retail systems United Grocers Portland, Ore. www.ugweb.com **Electronic   commerce** for supermarket **retailers** is still an emerging technology. It certainly isn't developing as fast as it is...

...I don't see the numbers supporting full-scale home shopping until 2004 or 2005. **E -commerce** is certainly growing, but it's not at a critical mass for retailers to make...

...systems development A&P Montvale, N.J. www.efund.com The Internet's role in **electronic   commerce** will certainly grow, but the speed at which it's going to grow is the...

...happen in 12 to 18 months, or 48 to 60 months? For the grocery industry, **electronic   commerce** raises a lot of issues in terms of handling and

packing product that boo●nd...Markets Chandler, Ariz. w●.bashas.com
We've been fairly surprised at the interest home **shopping** over the
Internet generated. When we offered these services in conjunction with
OnCart, about one-third of the...

24/3,K/15   (Item 2 from file: 148)
DIALOG(R)File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB
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10298999   SUPPLIER NUMBER: 20868594   (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
SHELF STAKES ELECTRONIC SHELF LABELS ARE OVERCOMING THE BARRIERS OF COSTS,
 STATE LAWS AND RETAILERS' LACK OF AWARENESS, AND ARE COMING ON
 STRONG.(electronic shelf label systems)
Supermarket News, v48, n25, p19(1)
June 22, 1998
ISSN: 0039-5803   LANGUAGE: English   RECORD TYPE: Fulltext
WORD COUNT: 2730   LINE COUNT: 00208

TEXT:
        ...Mass., and Stop & Shop Cos., Quincy, Mass., a division of Ahold
USA, Atlanta, equipping their **stores** there with the **electronic** tags.
Harding's Friendly Markets, Plainwell, Mich., a retailer that is not using
ESLs, does...

...wholesaler's headquarters, then disseminated to stores. Once the price
information is electronically transferred to **store** **level** , the data is
filed in a database at the **store** **level** , and transmitted to the POS
systems and plastic labels simultaneously. Final preparations are being
made...
...a pilot test, to be conducted this fall in Massachusetts, that will
allow certain food **retailers** to use **electronic** shelf labels for a
limited number of products that are usually pricing exempt. While the...

...able to evaluate the effectiveness of the units. "The biggest
frustration is when (a customer) **picks** **up** an **item** and it is priced
differently at the front end," said Chris Flynn, president of the...

24/3,K/16   (Item 3 from file: 148)
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10298984   SUPPLIER NUMBER: 20868579   (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
CHRISTIAN HAUB'S LONG VIEW ONLY 33 AND NOW THE SOLE CEO AT A&P, HAUB HAS A
 SPECTRUM OF LONG-RANGE PLANS FOR GRADUAL AND STEADY GROWTH OF THE
 VENERABLE CHAIN.
Supermarket News, v48, n25, p1(1)
June 22, 1998
ISSN: 0039-5803   LANGUAGE: English   RECORD TYPE: Fulltext
WORD COUNT: 3357   LINE COUNT: 00259

TEXT:
        ...P is even pursuing a strategy via the Internet. Grabbing new
private-label opportunities, including **in** -**store** shops. Building niches
in areas like the baby and pet categories in order to defend...York
marketplace, Detroit and Ontario. A&P's metro New York area, which operates
268 **stores** , includes New York **City** , Long Island, New Jersey,
Westchester and Connecticut. Banners include A&P, Food Emporium and
Waldbaum...all our stores whether big or small. In our bigger stores, we're
working on **in** -**store** prepared meals with our **in** -**store** chef program."
What are some of the elements marking the direction at A&P's...

...that as another opportunity to promote our home-meal-replacement
offering and gain experience with **Internet** -based **retailing** ," Haub said.
A&P may be mulling the right formulas for meals, but it's...

...the customer. In an effort to beef up store-label merchandising, A&P is

opening **in -store** shops ⬤r its Eight O'Clock Coffee bra⬤ The
presentation, which includes a sit-down...care sections, reading centers
and kitchen shops, according to the company's annual report. While **in -
store** merchandising and marketing are front-burner topics, A&P is also
focused on back-room...

 24/3,K/17 **(Item 4 from file: 148)**
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08705486 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 18341173 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
**Cyber stores dot retailing horizon. (retail stores catering to technophiles
 proliferate) (Industry Trend or Event)**
Georgianis, Maria V.
Computer Retail Week, v6, n135, p1(2)
May 27, 1996
ISSN: 1066-7598 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract
WORD COUNT: 334 LINE COUNT: 00029

...ABSTRACT: this purpose. The stores carry up to 150 of the top software
products and each **location** has a cafe. The **Internet** **Store** , **based** in
Bedford, TX, focuses more closely on Internet services for business users.

 24/3,K/18 **(Item 5 from file: 148)**
DIALOG(R)File 148:Gale Group Trade & Industry DB
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06677290 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 13218477 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
**TSS LTD. TO ROLL OUT ITS LOCAL AREA MERCHANT PROGRAM TO ALL OF ITS 'THE
 SAVINGS SPOT' INSTALLATIONS**
PR Newswire, p0806NY031
August 06, 1993
LANGUAGE: ENGLISH RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT
WORD COUNT: 402 LINE COUNT: 00031

TEXT:
 ...Aug. 6 /PRNewswire/ -- TSS Ltd. (NASDAQ: TSSL) announced today that
it will roll out its **local** **merchant** program, making it a permanent
feature of "The Savings Spot(R)", the company's **in -store** **electronic**
promotional program. TSS has been operating the **local** **merchant** program
in conjunction with the Innovative Coupon Company (ICC), a private
California corporation that TSS...

 24/3,K/19 **(Item 6 from file: 148)**
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06219777 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 13412571 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
**Buyers characterized the September marketplace as very tight. (media
 buyers) (Brief Article)**
Moore, M.H.
MEDIAWEEK, v2, n35, p50(1)
Sept 21, 1992
DOCUMENT TYPE: Brief Article ISSN: 1055-176X LANGUAGE: ENGLISH
RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT
WORD COUNT: 385 LINE COUNT: 00029

TEXT:
 ...described as a "weird" marketplace, lacking any clear picture of
what the coming months have **in** **store** . For now, buyers have been able to
clear most schedules at flat CPPs. Buyers have...

...strong early-morning news programs are selling inventory for that
daypart briskly. Sellers say the **region** is active as **electronic**
retailers shoot it out. Tandy's plans to open Incredible Universe

warehouse superstores in ●xas has forced competing **retai**●**s** like
Circuit **City** into the marketplace to preserve market share. New York is a
buyers' market, aside from...

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05792091   SUPPLIER NUMBER: 11866708   (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
The M&A Rosters; third quarter 1991.
Mergers & Acquisitions, 26, n4, 65(65)
Jan-Feb, 1992
ISSN: 0026-0010   LANGUAGE: ENGLISH   RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT
WORD COUNT: 104170   LINE COUNT: 10201

...   Principals: Mycogen is engaged in the research, development, and
commercialization of biological pesticides. Its biopesticide **products** are
based on micro-organisms such as bacteria and fungi that have specific
toxic activity...10.3 million. The purchase price was substantially for the
acquisition of accounts receivable and **inventory** . Principals:
Heilig-Meyers operated 326 retail stores at May 21, 1991, that sold
furniture and...

...W.C.K. are located in Alabama and Florida and include the accounts
receivable and **inventories** of those locations. Helig-Meyers would lease
all 21 locations. Effective Date: 8-22-91...infusion therapy, home medical
equipment, and respiratory therapy. The division had sales of $25 million
in 1990. Effective Date: 7-1-91
     Regal Communications   acq.   Synchronal Group Inc.
     Corp.   New York...

...6-30-90 Terms: Revco D.S. acquired 31 Peoples Drug Stores and the
pharmaceutical **inventories** and customer files of 19 other stores from CVS
Consumer Value Stores, a unit of...in Arizona, Pennsylvania, Alabama,
Texas, Tennessee, South Carolina, and North Carolina. The 31 Peoples Drug
Stores owned by the CVS Consumer Value **Stores** , a unit of Melville Corp.,
include 29 stores located in Virginia and two in North Carolina. Also
included are the pharmaceutical **inventories** and customer files of 16
Peoples stores in Virginia and three in North Carolina. Effective...

01376937 00-27924
The role of intelligent agent software in the future of direct response
Hodgdon, Paul N
Direct Marketing v59n9 PP: 10-17 Jan 1997
ISSN: 0012-3188 JRNL CODE: DIM
WORD COUNT: 5119

...TEXT: to postulate a scenario for how people's minds can be changed over time.

My **local** Stop & **Shop** retail supermarket **store** has recently come out with an **online** purchasing service called Pea Pod. Simply use their software to get **online** and let your clicker do your shopping. Pea Pod takes its customers' requests seriously by thoroughly training the folks who are delegated to go into the stores and **pick** up the **goods** . A customer **requesting** a steak only to find that the one delivered is sub-standard is not likely...

09372988   SUPPLIER NUMBER: 19233411   (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
The role of intelligent agent software in the future of direct response.
Hoggdon, Paul N.
Direct Marketing, v59, n9, p10(8)
Jan, 1997
ISSN: 0012-3188   LANGUAGE: English   RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract
WORD COUNT: 5431   LINE COUNT: 00427

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05792091   SUPPLIER NUMBER: 11866708   (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
The M&A Rosters; third quarter 1991.
Mergers & Acquisitions, 26, n4, 65(65)
Jan-Feb, 1992
ISSN: 0026-0010   LANGUAGE: ENGLISH   RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT
WORD COUNT: 104170   LINE COUNT: 10201

...   Principals: Mycogen is engaged in the research, development, and commercialization of biological pesticides. Its biopesticide **products** are based on micro-organisms such as bacteria and fungi that have specific toxic activity...in Arizona, Pennsylvania, Alabama, Texas, Tennessee, South Carolina, and North Carolina. The 31 Peoples Drug **Stores** owned by the CVS Consumer Value **Stores** , a unit of Melville Corp., include 29 stores located in Virginia and two in North...

05540544   SUPPLIER NUMBER: 11596171   (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Music & sound products (Buyers Guide)
Music Trades, v139, n10, pS20(259)
Nov, 1991
DOCUMENT TYPE: Buyers Guide   ISSN: 0027-4488   LANGUAGE: ENGLISH
RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT
WORD COUNT: 99010   LINE COUNT: 08464

...   Martin, Savarez, Fender, Guild, Gibson, and Super-Sensitive. There
are many other items of general **merchandise** .
      In addition to general distributing, the firm is a manufacturers'
representative in the Rocky Mountain...in clear display cabinets featuring
brightly colored descriptive labels. Custom imprint programs are available
for **stores** , **local** and touring groups, and individuals. D'Andrea offers
the fastest service and the widest variet...

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           (c) 2001 Chicago Tribune
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File 704:(Portland)The Oregonian 1989-2001/Jun 21
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File 713:Atlanta J/Const. 1989-2001/Jun 24
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File 715:Christian Sci.Mon. 1989-2001/Jun 25
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File 725:(Cleveland)Plain Dealer Aug 1991-2000/Dec 13
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                  TORE()(BASED OR LEVEL) OR OFFLINE OR OFF()LINE)
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S16          2    RD S15 (unique items)
S17       1883    NETDYNAMICS OR NET()DYNAMICS
S18       1328    S17 NOT (PY>1998 OR S12 OR S16)
S19        513    S17/TI,AB,CO,LP
S20        400    S18 AND S19
S21        324    RD S20 (unique items)
S22          4    S21 AND (S6 OR S7 OR S8)
S23        357    COMPARISCOPE
S24         35    S23/TI,AB,DE
S25         24    S24 NOT (PY>1998 OR S12 OR S16 OR S22)
S26         18    RD S25 (unique items)
S27          9    S6(S)S8 AND S1(S)S7
S28          1    S27 NOT (PY>1998 OR S12 OR S16 OR S22 OR S26)
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**amazon.com: THE WILD WORLD OF E- COMMERCE: By pioneering--and damn near
   perfecting--the art of selling** online, **Amazon is redefining**
     retailing

BYLINE:
By Robert D. Hof in Seattle, with Ellen Neuborne and Heather Green in New
York and bureau reports

TEXT:
When   giant   retailer Wal-Mart **Stores**   Inc. sued upstart **Internet**
bookseller Amazon.com Inc. on Oct. 16, jaws dropped. Wal-Mart accused
Amazon of raiding...
...mass marketing. And with a single mouse click, an order can be placed on
its **Web** site, making **shopping** a friendly, frictionless, even fun
experience that can take less time than finding a parking...

... extending its warm and fuzzy formula far beyond the bibliophile set. On
Nov. 17, the **online**   **merchant**   debuted a video store, as well as an
expanded gift shop--the clearest sign yet...

... CDnow Inc. Says analyst Lauren Cooks Levitan of BancBoston Robertson
Stephens: ``When you think of **Web**   **shopping** , you think of Amazon
first.''
   Indeed, in nearly the blink of a cursor, Amazon has...

...2001.
   Call these investors nuts, but their underlying assumption is dead-on:
The potential for **E** -**commerce** , and Amazon in particular, is as vast as
cyberspace. More people keep swarming online--nearly...

...USA Inc. survey of some 1,000 Internet users found that nearly half plan
to **shop** on the **Web** this fall alone. All told, cybershoppers are
expected to spend $7.8 billion this year...s what led Forrester CEO George
F. Colony to declare last year that the pioneer **online**   **merchant** soon
would be ``Amazon.toast.''
   Amazon can't even dismiss the booksellers, who, despite their...

... and others to form a virtual mall called ShopperConnection. Buyers can
access each of those **online**   **retailers** from a single site. Likewise, Web
portals such as Yahoo! Inc. and the bulked-up America Online Inc.-Netscape
Communications Corp. combo are angling for a bigger slice of the **E** -
 commerce pie. So are fast-growing merchants such as Buy.com (page 130).
   And as Bezos...

... their brands online. A new study by Boston Consulting Group found that
59% of consumer **E** - **commerce** revenues--including **retail** sites and
 online   financial and travel services--are generated by companies such as
Eddie Bauer and 1-800...

... Macy's is far more meaningful to the consumer who is looking for
traditional department **store** goods than any **Internet** brand name.''
   As if all the rivals aren't scary enough, Amazon faces an even...

... revenues, Amazon can boost sales by simply getting more people to come
to its single **online**   **store** . Says Chief Financial Officer Joy Covey: ``I

don't think we could have grown a...
... Here's how it works: Physical bookstores must stock up to 160 days'
worth of **inventory** to provide the kind of **in** -**store** selection people
want. Yet they must pay distributors and publishers 45 to 90 days after...
know here get books from Amazon,'' she says.
   Bezos also was one of the first **merchants** to leverage the **Web** 's
power in unique ways to spread the Amazon brand. Early on, he offered other
...

... in arriving, and its store-trained executives took longer to learn the
new rules of **E** -**commerce** than Amazon's Net-centric staff. ``In the early
days, there's a big advantage in not having that baggage,'' says William
McKiernan, chairman of **E commerce** services provider CyberSource Corp.
   Even after Barnes & Noble went online, it was slower to take...a
retailer. One of them, Junglee, has technology that makes it easy to scour
the **Web** for products and **compare prices** or other features. ``We don't
even necessarily have to be selling all those things,'' says Bezos. ``We
just help people find things that are being sold elsewhere on the **Web** .''
Amazon might take a cut of revenues from other retailers if its customers
 buy their **products** . Says marketing prof Rogers, who is a partner in
consultancy Peppers & Rogers: ``Their next mission...

...AMAZON IS TESTING THE WATERS
OPPORTUNITY
CONSUMER ELECTRONICS -- It's a $76 billion market for **products** such as
hand- **held** game machines, digital cameras, and portable CD players, which
have higher average selling prices than...billion market by mail-order
catalog, clothing sales are growing online. Amazon customers are
comfortable **buying** without touching the **merchandise** .
FLOWERS -- They're an easy sell for holidays and birthdays, and even a
sliver of...

TABLE:
...1
DATA: BLOOMBERG, ANALYSTS' ESTIMATES
Stacking Up the Amazon Advantage

AMAZON	VS.	BARNES & NOBLE
1 **WEB** SITE	NUMBER OF **STORES**	1,011
3.1 MILLION	TITLES PER SUPERSTORE	175,000
2%	BOOK RETURNS	30%
306...		

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DIALOG(R)File 47:Gale Group Magazine DB(TM)
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05013515   SUPPLIER NUMBER: 19958144   (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
The LAN beat. (Network **General CyberCop** security   tool**)(Trends)(Brief
 Article)(Product Announcement)**
Daly, Robert
PC Magazine, v16, n20, p42(1)
Nov 18, 1997
DOCUMENT TYPE: Brief Article Product Announcement   ISSN: 0888-8507
LANGUAGE: English   RECORD TYPE: Fulltext
WORD COUNT: 230   LINE COUNT: 00020

The LAN beat. (Network **General CyberCop** security   tool**)(Trends)(Brief
 Article)(Product Announcement)**

TEXT:
     ...data, there's no such thing as too much security. A firewall is a
good **start** (it 's the virtual lock on the front door, so to speak), but
it can't...
   Network General's soon-to-be-released turnkey hardware- **and**
software -based CyberCop (pricing was unavailable at press time) watches
key segments of your networks and...

...the administrator and log the activity to a permanent record for later trend analysis and **evidence** **of** network tampering.

In order to protect your network from external attacks, you must install an

DESCRIPTORS: **Computer** **software** industry...

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DIALOG(R)File 621:Gale Group New Prod.Annou.(R)
(c) 2001 The Gale Group. All rts. reserv.

01497933   Supplier Number: 47175217 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
**Service Merchandise Uses NetDynamics to Move its Entire Catalog Onto the
 Internet; Early Success With Initial Web Catalog Prompts Expansion to
 Full Version; Applications Allow Customers to Pre-Shop Stores, Order
 Goods On-Line.**
Business Wire, p03030322
March 3, 1997
Language: English   Record Type: Fulltext
Document Type: Newswire; Trade
Word Count: 575

...   with the expanded catalog are NetDynamics applications enabling
customers to check to see if a **product** they want is **available** at their
local Service Merchandise store. Customers will be able to **reserve** the
item   **online** before visiting the **store** to pick it up.
     Mushrush said another important service enabled by NetDynamics is a
Web...

 16/3,K/2   (Item 1 from file: 20)
DIALOG(R)File 20:World Reporter
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02951521
**Knozall Offers   Introductory Bundle Pricing of Network Management Software
 Applications**
PR NEWSWIRE
September 28, 1998
JOURNAL CODE: WPRW   LANGUAGE: English   RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT
WORD COUNT: 493

     ... 95,   98, NT, NetWare, and UNIX. Knozall Systems, Inc., founded in
1990   is a privately **held**   company. Knozall markets its **products**
worldwide to OEMs, systems integrators, value-added resellers, retailers,
and large corporate users. Knozall is...

... For more information call 800-333-8698 or 602-545-0006 or visit the
company **website**   at www.knozall.com. All trademarks or registered
trademarks are those of their respective owners...

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NETDYNAMICS : **Service Merchandise Uses** NetDynamics **to Move its Entire**
   Catalog   Onto   the   Internet;   Early   Success   With Initial Web Catalog
   Prompts   Expansion   to   Full   Version;   Applications Allow Customers to
   Pre-Shop Stores, Order Goods On-Line

March 03, 1997

Byline: Business Editors/Telecommunications Writers

   MENLO PARK, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--March 3, 1997--Service
Merchandise and **NetDynamics** Inc. today announced that Service
Merchandise is moving its entire catalog onto the Internet by using
 NetDynamics ' product, enabling customers to shop and buy goods
online.
   During the Christmas holidays, for the...

...is proving an ideal channel for catalog shopping
and buying, and we are working with **NetDynamics** to expand our
catalog, our related online services -- and our revenues."
   "The kind of early...

...of how businesses are improving
their bottom line," said Zack Rinat, president and CEO of
 NetDynamics . "In this case, a whole new line of business has evolved
using **NetDynamics** to create and implement new strategic business
applications for the Web."
   Included with the expanded catalog are **NetDynamics** applications
enabling customers to check to see if a **product** they want is
 available at their **local** Service Merchandise store. Customers will
be able to **reserve** the **item** online before visiting the store to pick
it up.
   Mushrush said another important service enabled by **NetDynamics** is
a Web-interface to Service Merchandise's Gift Registry that is
maintained on one...

...the catalog over the Internet.
   Rinat explained that all of this is made possible because
 NetDynamics enables the development of Web applications that tie into
extensive data sources. In the case of Service Merchandise, these
data sources include product listings, price, and availability.
 NetDynamics enables Service Merchandise customers to access this
information over the Internet and then to purchase it through a
secure transaction.
   Service Merchandise's URL is www.servicemerchandise.com .
   NetDynamics Inc. (formerly Spider Technologies Inc.) is a
leading provider of solutions for enabling Web-centric businesses to
grow their bottom line -- through cost reduction and increased
revenues -- using the Net. **NetDynamics** is being used by hundreds of
companies as diverse as AT&T, Harvard, Key Corp., Service
Merchandise, Newbridge Communications , Wells Fargo, Toys 'R Us, GE
Capital, and many others.
   Other **NetDynamics** partners include Hewlett Packard, Gradient
Technologies, Informix, Microsoft, Netscape, Oracle, Silicon
Graphics, Sun Microsystems, Sybase...

...U.S. Venture Partners and a major corporation. The
company's URL is http://www **netdynamics** .com .

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...be downloaded from our
website at http://www.roederj.com .

        CONTACT: Roeder-Johnson Corporation (For **NetDynamics**)
                   Abigail Johnson/Mike Brogan, 415/802-1850
                   abigail@roederj.com/mike@roederj.com
        KEYWORD: CALIFORNIA...

 22/3,K/2   (Item 1 from file: 813)
DIALOG(R)File 813:PR Newswire
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1209490   SFM005
 NetDynamics   **Fuels Chevron's Global Sales Operations With Profit Margin
    Analysis Application**

DATE: January 12, 1998   08:01 EST   WORD COUNT: 1,011

 NetDynamics   **Fuels Chevron's Global Sales Operations With Profit Margin
    Analysis Application**

Jan. 12 /PRNewswire/ -- **NetDynamics** , Inc., the pioneer of the first
comprehensive Enterprise Network Application Platform, today announced that
Chevron...

... CHV), is implementing an enterprise intranet-based sales margin profit
analysis application based on the **NetDynamics** platform.

    With **NetDynamics** , Chevron Global Lubricants and Technology Marketing
(CGLTM), a division of Chevron Products Company, has built...

... product or customer as well as time period. With inSIGHT, CGLTM's sales
force can **compare   costs** and profits daily with continuously updated
information and perform real-time queries based on time...

... based application had the added benefits of reduced rollout and
maintenance costs," added Conger.

    Before **NetDynamics** , CGLTM used standard generated reports served off
of a mainframe and hand-coded in PL...

... information exchange. We needed to be lighter on our feet. There was
almost no choice: **NetDynamics** simply made sense."

    "Sales required customer information sliced thinly for their
individual, particular needs. Moreover...

...is informed; we now move quickly and decisively."

    "Simply put, I'm impressed with the **NetDynamics**   development
environment and application server performance. **NetDynamics** ' thin client
environment and native connectivity to Oracle were overwhelmingly
persuasive, and its reusability was...

... Microsoft IIS Web server on a four-Processor Compaq 5000R with 512MG of
RAM. The **NetDynamics** Application Server runs on the same machine and
integrates information from Oracle databases, which run on an HP 840 with
HP-UX. CGLTM's **NetDynamics** application integrates NetCharts to download
charting Java applets to either Netscape Navigator or Microsoft Internet
Explorer Web browsers.

    CGLTM's current internal projects based on the **NetDynamics** platform
are to create more meaningful reporting programs for areas such as
marketing and research...

...access to invoices and shipping information. CGLTM also plans to involve other business units with **NetDynamics** projects in a corporate-wide effort to capitalize on new opportunities, reduce costs, and improve...

...for Chevron Corporation as a whole, with a net income over $2.6 billion.

About **NetDynamics**

NetDynamics , Inc. offers businesses the first comprehensive Enterprise Network Application Platform, solving the problems businesses face in integrating disparate systems, scaling business critical applications and managing distributed systems. The **NetDynamics** platform is the recognized standard for the delivery of integrated and managed enterprise applications on the Net, leveraging a powerful, open architecture to enable complete, innovative business solutions.

NetDynamics is currently being used by more than 500 customers including AT&T, Fidelity Investments, Hewlett...

... Attractor Investment Management, VanWagoner Capital Management, and Integral Capital Partners. For more information, visit the **NetDynamics** Web site at http://www **netdynamics** .com.

NOTE: **NetDynamics** is a trademark of **NetDynamics** , Inc. Java is a registered trademark of Sun Microsystems, Inc. in the United States and...

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SOURCE **NetDynamics** , Inc.

CONTACT: Stephen Berger of **NetDynamics** , Inc., 650-463-7784, or sberger **netdynamics** .com; or Jamie O'Donnell of JONA Group, 415-552-1515, or jamie jonagroup.com, for **NetDynamics**

Web site: http://www **netdynamics** .com

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COMPANY NAME: **NETDYNAMICS** , INC...

22/3,K/3   (Item 1 from file: 20)
DIALOG(R)File   20:World Reporter
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03078511
Intraware Launches COMPARISCOPE--The leading Online Research and Evaluation Service for Enterprise Software--in Europe
BUSINESS WIRE
October 12, 1998
JOURNAL CODE: WBWE   LANGUAGE: English   RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT
WORD COUNT: 1289

... information on Intraware's services can be found at their website: http://www.intraware.com. **Price** and **Availability   Compariscope** is available through NettGain: (http://www.nettgain.com) and can be purchased at the suggested... powerful services also enable Intraware's partners, including Netscape Communications (Nasdaq:NSCP), Informix (Nasdaq:IFMX), **NetDynamics** (Nasdaq:SUNW), Marimba, Intershop, Oblix, SunTest, Open Text (Nasdaq: OTEXF), and RealNetworks (Nasdaq:RNWK), to...

22/3,K/4   (Item 1 from file: 47)
DIALOG(R)File   47:Gale Group Magazine DB(TM)
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TEXT:
    ...based applications that put it in the same distinguished class as
Netscape Communications Corp.'s **comparably   priced** Netscape Application
Server, **NetDynamics** Inc.'s **NetDynamics** and Apple Computer Inc.'s
WebObjects. But these other products leave Sapphire/Web in the...

26/3,K/1   (Item 1 from file: 9)

02134907
Taking the work out of intranet software comparisons
(An interactive decision-support service has been initiated by Intraware,
which is a member of the Kleiner Perkins Java Fund)
Network World, v 15, n 17, p S4
April 27, 1998
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal ISSN: 0887-7661 (United States)
LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Abstract

ABSTRACT:
...way through the tedious effort of evaluating software for intranets. IT
managers using Intraware's **Compariscope** service are able to categorize,
as certain qualities and display various technical findings on an...

26/3,K/2   **(Item 2 from file: 9)**

02118929 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)
Service Helps IS Managers Compare Internet Software -- Intraware's
   Compariscope **Lets Users Assign Their Own Weighting To Various Criteria**
(Intraware's Compariscope **software is a set of applications that lets**
 users design customized comparisons of various products in about a dozen
 categories)
Information Week, p 124
April 20, 1998
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal ISSN: 8750-6874 (United States)
LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext
WORD COUNT: 374

Service Helps IS Managers Compare Internet Software -- Intraware's
   Compariscope **Lets Users Assign Their Own Weighting To Various Criteria**
(Intraware's Compariscope **software is a set of applications that lets**
 users design customized comparisons of various products...
)

26/3,K/3   **(Item 3 from file: 9)**

02116533
Intraware Sweats The Software Stuff
(Intraware Inc, a start-up that manages software license renewals, updates
 and bug fixes for intranet software is close to signing up a second major
 vendor)
Interactive Week, v 5, n 14, p 31
April 13, 1998
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal ISSN: 1078-7259 (United States)
LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Abstract

ABSTRACT:
...product to the same customer base, an intranet software online
comparison and analysis tool called **Compariscope** . The software is
intended to be an aid in buying decisions for both corporate customers aand
consultants. An online, subscription database, **Compariscope** contains
detailed comparisons of intranet products, from applications servers to
publishing tools. The classification of...

26/3,K/4   **(Item 4 from file: 9)**

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Intraware Inc.
(Intraware Inc has a deal with Open Text Corp to market and sell Open
 Text's Livelink Intranet knowledge management application)
Interactive Week, v 5, n 6, p 34
February 16, 1998
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; News Brief   ISSN: 1078-7259   (United States)
LANGUAGE: English   RECORD TYPE: Abstract

ABSTRACT:
...s Livelink Intranet knowledge management application. Livelink will
become part of an Intrawre service called **Compariscope** .

  26/3,K/5   (Item 1 from file: 810)
DIALOG(R)File 810:Business Wire
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**INTRAWARE: Intraware Announces Significant Upgrades to Compariscope, the
    Leading Web-Based Software Evaluation Service**

December 08, 1998

Byline: Business Editors/High Tech Writers

**Intraware Announces Significant Upgrades to Compariscope, the Leading
    Web-Based Software Evaluation Service**

  26/3,K/6   (Item 2 from file: 810)
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**INTRAWARE: Intraware Launches COMPARISCOPE--The leading Online Research
    and Evaluation Service for Enterprise Software--in Europe**

October 12, 1998

Byline: Business Editors/High Tech Writers

**Intraware   Launches   COMPARISCOPE --The leading Online Research and
    Evaluation Service for Enterprise Software--in Europe**

  26/3,K/7   (Item 3 from file: 810)
DIALOG(R)File 810:Business Wire
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**INTRAWARE: Intraware Launches COMPARISCOPE, a Web-Based Service "Designed
    For Decisions"**

April 06, 1998

Byline: Business Editors/Technology Writers

**Intraware   Launches   COMPARISCOPE , a Web-Based Service "Designed For
    Decisions"**

  26/3,K/8   (Item 1 from file: 636)
DIALOG(R)File 636:Gale Group Newsletter DB(TM)

03989806   Supplier Number: 53089560   (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
INTRAWARE: **Intraware launches** Compariscope.
M2 Presswire, pNA
Oct 15, 1998
Language: English   Record Type: Fulltext
Document Type: Newswire; Trade
Word Count: 1343

INTRAWARE: **Intraware launches** Compariscope.

 26/3,K/9   (Item 1 from file: 621)
DIALOG(R)File 621:Gale Group New Prod.Annou.(R)
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01677945   Supplier Number: 50172229   (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)
Intraware Announces Significant Upgrades to Compariscope, **Industry's**
Leading Competitive Analysis Service for Intranet/Extranet Software
Applications
PR Newswire, p715LAW045
July 15, 1998
Language: English   Record Type: Fulltext
Article Type: Article
Document Type: Newswire; Trade
Word Count: 1036

Intraware Announces Significant Upgrades to Compariscope, **Industry's**
Leading Competitive Analysis Service for Intranet/Extranet Software
Applications

 26/3,K/10   (Item 1 from file: 20)
DIALOG(R)File 20:World Reporter
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03004609
Intraware Establishes Software Management Agreement With WindDance Networks
BUSINESS WIRE
October 05, 1998
JOURNAL CODE: WBWE   LANGUAGE: English   RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT
WORD COUNT: 658

     NEW   YORK--(BUSINESS   WIRE)--Oct. 5, 1998-- Intraware Adds WindDance
Networks'   WebChallenger(TM)   to **Compariscope** , Intraware.shop, and
SubscribNet Services Intraware, Inc., the full-service web-based software
management services...

... www.intraware.com/shop. To help IT customers with their evaluation of
WebChallenger, Intraware's **Compariscope** service provides an in-depth
analysis of this leading web site management solution. In addition...

... base," said Peter Jackson, president and chief executive officer of
Intraware. "By   putting WebChallenger through **Compariscope** 's rigorous
testing, we've concluded that this is a premier web site management
solution...
... interactive knowledge-based and software delivery services across the
evaluation, purchase and maintenance continuum with **Compariscope** ,
intraware.shop, and SubscribNet. These powerful services also enable
Intraware's partners, including Netscape Communications...

...94563; 925/253-4500; FAX 925/253-4599; http://www.intraware.com. Note to
Editors: **Compariscope** , Intraware.shop, and SubscribNet are among the
service marks and trademarks of Intraware, Inc. All...

 26/3,K/11   (Item 2 from file: 20)

03004607
**Intraware Unveils Industry's First Online Software Procurement and Delivery
Service for Corporate IT Customers**
BUSINESS WIRE
October 05, 1998
JOURNAL CODE: WBWE   LANGUAGE: English   RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT
WORD COUNT: 723

... analyses, and industry expertise." Intraware.shop complements
Intraware's other software lifecycle services, including Radarscope,
Compariscope , and SubscribNet. Radarscope offers a centralized listing of
thousands of internet software applications available on the market;
Compariscope provides users with a personalized product comparison
service; and SubscribNet is an automated software update...

... interactive knowledge-based and software delivery services across the
evaluation, purchase and maintenance continuum with **Compariscope** ,
Intraware.shop, and SubscribNet. These powerful services also enable
Intraware's partners, including Netscape Communications...

... Orinda Way, Orinda, Calif. 94563; 925/253-4500; FAX 925/253-4599. Note
to Editors: **Compariscope** , Intraware.shop, and SubscribNet are among the
service marks and trademarks of Intraware, Inc. CONTACT...

 26/3,K/12   (Item 3 from file: 20)

02959459
**Netscape and Intraware to Launch Portal Resource for Information Technology
Professionals**
PR NEWSWIRE
September 29, 1998
JOURNAL CODE: WPRW   LANGUAGE: English   RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT
WORD COUNT: 1022

... records by category, company and product, then follow links to
additional information and Intraware resources; * **Compariscope** , an
interactive decision support service that provides comprehensive
information on the strengths and weaknesses of...

... interactive knowledge-based and software delivery services across the
evaluation, purchase and maintenance continuum with **Compariscope** ,
intraware.shop, and SubscribNet. These powerful services also enable
Intraware's partners, including Netscape Communications product and brand
names are trademarks of their respective owners. **Compariscope** ,
intraware.shop, SubscribNews, Radarscope, IT Knowledge Center, "Ask James",
and SubscribNet are among the service...

 26/3,K/13   (Item 4 from file: 20)

02805888
**Intraware Introduces Industry's First Destination Web Site Exclusively for
IT Professionals**
BUSINESS WIRE
September 14, 1998
JOURNAL CODE: WBWE   LANGUAGE: English   RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT
WORD COUNT: 884

...services, Gold membership gives users access to Intraware's premier
web-based information services, including: -- **Compariscope** , a decision

support service that pro●es comprehensive and detailed i●ormation on the strengths and weaknesses...

... software products and tools. Designed to categorize, evaluate, and display competitive technical findings on products, **Compariscope** allows IT professionals to make better informed purchase decisions through Intraware's unique user-definable...

...is online today. Standard membership is free of charge. Gold membership, including a single user **Compariscope** license and "Ask James" premier level service, will have an introductory price of $1,495...
... interactive knowledge-based and software delivery services across the evaluation, purchase, and maintenance continuum with **Compariscope** , intraware.shop, and SubscribNet. These powerful services also enable Intraware's partners, including Netscape Communications...

... Calif. 94563; 925/253-4500; FAX: 925/253-4599; http://www.intraware. Note to Editors: **Compariscope** , intraware.shop, SubscribNews, Radarscope, IT Knowledge Center, "Ask James", and SubscribNet are among the service...

 26/3,K/14   (Item 5 from file: 20)
DIALOG(R)File 20:World Reporter
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02219284
PR Newswire California Summary, Wednesday July 15, up to 2:00 P.M. PT
PR NEWSWIRE
July 15, 1998   17:35
JOURNAL CODE: WPRW   LANGUAGE: English   RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT
WORD COUNT: 1396

     ...1998 08:04 r f bc-CA-Intraware-Upgrade (ORINDA) Intraware Announces Significant Upgrades to **Compariscope** , Industry's Leading Competitive Analysis Service for Intranet/Extranet Software SFW042 07/15/1998 08...

 26/3,K/15   (Item 6 from file: 20)
DIALOG(R)File 20:World Reporter
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01723711 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)
Intraware Management Team Strengthened with Two New VP Positions; VPs to Help Company Expand Software Lifecycle Management Services
BUSINESS WIRE
May 26, 1998   8:29
JOURNAL CODE: WBWE   LANGUAGE: English   RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT
WORD COUNT: 522

     ... Intraware's director of product lines where he most recently orchestrated the successful launch of **Compariscope** . Mr. Brentano was previously director of systems engineering heading Intraware's consulting and pre-sales...

... president of operations for Granite Computer Products, Inc. Mr. Dunlap recently launched Intraware's celebrated **Compariscope** , a decision support service providing comprehensive information on the strengths and weaknesses of leading intranet and extranet software products and tools. **Compariscope** is the key knowledge resource tool behind Intraware's complete set of web-based software...

... knowledge-based and software delivery services across the evaluation, purchase, and maintenance continuum with its **Compariscope** , intraware.shop, and SubscribNet services. These powerful services also enable Intraware's partners, including Netscape...

... 94563; (925) 253-4500; FAX (925) 253-4599; http://www.intraware.com. Note to Editors: **Compariscope** , intraware.shop, and SubscribNet are among

26/3,K/16   (Item 7 from file: 20)
DIALOG(R)File   20:World Reporter
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01595307 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)
**Intraware Inc. Secures $11.8M in Third-Round Financing; Leading Provider of
   Software Lifecycle Management Services Adds New Member to Board of
   Directors**
BUSINESS WIRE
May 11, 1998   8:15
JOURNAL CODE: WBWE   LANGUAGE: English   RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT
WORD COUNT: 925

      ...management throughout an enterprise. The company provides research,
maintenance, and software delivery services through its **Compariscope** ,
SubscribNet, and Intraware.shop services. **Compariscope**   provides IT
managers with a product evaluation service that ranks the strengths of
commercially-available...

26/3,K/17   (Item 1 from file: 47)
DIALOG(R)File   47:Gale Group Magazine DB(TM)
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05283433   SUPPLIER NUMBER: 53396023   (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
Intraware polishes Compariscope. **(Company Business and Marketing)(Brief
 Article)**
PC Week, 15, 50, 40(1)
Dec 14, 1998
DOCUMENT TYPE: Brief Article   ISSN: 0740-1604   LANGUAGE: English
RECORD TYPE: Fulltext
WORD COUNT: 151   LINE COUNT: 00016

Intraware polishes Compariscope. **(Company Business and Marketing)(Brief
 Article)**

26/3,K/18   (Item 2 from file: 47)
DIALOG(R)File   47:Gale Group Magazine DB(TM)
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05116922   SUPPLIER NUMBER: 20498504   (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
**Intraware Debuts Product Comparison Web Service.(the Compariscope service
 for comparing hardware and software) (Internet/Web/Online Service
 Information)(Brief Article)**
Kerstetter, Jim
PC Week, v15, n15, p28(1)
April 13, 1998
DOCUMENT TYPE: Brief Article   ISSN: 0740-1604   LANGUAGE: English
RECORD TYPE: Fulltext
WORD COUNT: 293   LINE COUNT: 00027

**Intraware Debuts Product Comparison Web Service.(the Compariscope service
 for comparing hardware and software) (Internet/Web/Online Service
 Information)(Brief Article)**

02512258   SUPPLIER NUMBER: 03321735   (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT)
**Kuwait: competition for this market has become increasingly fierce as
 Kuwaiti economy adjusts to new conditions.**
Business America, v7, p22(3)
June 25, 1984
CODEN: BUAMDM   ISSN: 0190-6275   LANGUAGE: ENGLISH
RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT
WORD COUNT: 1836   LINE COUNT: 00149

...   Merchants are left overstocked, causing a decline in the volume of
L/Cs processed by **local** banks. **Inventories** are expected to remain high
for the near future. Once the conflict ends, the Iraq...

...markets are expected to return only gradually to their former levels,
although demand will probably **pick   up** for consumer **goods** and for
priority items needed to rebuild damaged ports and oil facilities. But many
believe...

...which may cause the U.S. market share to deteriorate.
      Among the factors making American **goods** and services less price
competitive are the inflationary price rises of the late 1970s and...
...foreign exchange factor can make a difference, sometimes adding up to 20
percent of the **cost** of American **goods** relative to **comparable**
products from Europe and Japan. This exchange rate differential, along
with aggressive marketing, has helped the...

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S1	1221369	PRODUCT? ? OR GOODS OR ITEM? ? OR MERCHANDISE
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S8	11428	S1(5N)(HELD OR HOLD? OR RESERV? OR PICK???(1W)UP OR PICKUP) OR WILL()CALL
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S10	2	S1 AND S3 AND (S5 OR S8) AND S7
S11	20	S2 AND (S3 OR S5 OR S8) AND S7
S12	20	S11 NOT S10
S13	10	S1 AND S5 AND S7
S14	5	S13 NOT (S10 OR S12)
S15	18	S1(5N)S3(7N)S7
S16	14	S15 NOT (S10 OR S12 OR S14)
S17	7	S16 AND IC=G06F-017/60
S18	6	S4 AND S7 AND S8
S19	3	S18 NOT (S10 OR S12 OR S14 OR S17)

DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX
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013193078   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2000-364951/200031
   Internet **based** electronic   commerce **business transaction processor,**
 performs billing for retail customer for ordered product **authorized for**
 shipment
Patent Assignee: HARDWARESTREET.COM INC (HARD-N)
Inventor: ALVIN R S
Number of Countries: 085 Number of Patents: 003
Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week	
WO 200023929	A1	20000427	WO 99US24453	A	19991019	200031	B
AU 9964336	A	20000508	AU 9964336	A	19991019	200037	
EP 1040440	A1	20001004	EP 99952033	A	19991019	200050	
			WO 99US24453	A	19991019		

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 99343547 A 19990630; US 98104829 A
   19981019
Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
WO 200023929	A1	E	41	G06F-017/60	

   Designated States (National): AL AM AT AU AZ BA BB BG BR BY CA CH CN CU
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   LK LR LS LT LU LV MD MG MK MN MW MX NO NZ PL PT RO RU SD SE SG SI SK SL
   TJ TM TR TT UA UG UZ VN YU ZW
   Designated States (Regional): AT BE CH CY DE DK EA ES FI FR GB GH GM GR
   IE IT KE LS LU MC MW NL OA PT SD SE SL SZ TZ UG ZW

| AU 9964336 | A | | | G06F-017/60 | Based on patent WO 200023929 |
| EP 1040440 | A1 | E | | G06F-017/60 | Based on patent WO 200023929 |

   Designated States (Regional): AL AT BE CH CY DE DK ES FI FR GB GR IE IT
   LI LT LU LV MC MK NL PT RO SE SI

Abstract (Basic): WO 200023929 A1
     NOVELTY - A distribution selection processor dynamically allocates
   a particular order to one of distributor's handing a particular
   product involved in purchase order, based on specific selection
   criteria, and also authorizes selected distributor to ship ordered
   product to retail customer. A payment processor (40) performs billing
   for retail customer for ordered **product** authorized for shipment.
     DETAILED DESCRIPTION - Catalog-type **product** data for selected
   products , are stored in a database (70). A communication interface
   selectively permits one of retail customers to selectively access the
   product data **stored** in the database. An **electronic** order form is
   provided for retail customer to place a purchase order of the selected
   product . The order processor processes the placed purchase orders. The
   distribution selection processor dynamically allocating a particular
   product to distributors, has a **comparator** which **compares** like
   types of **product** data for distributors handling-like **product** , to
   determine an optimum distributor selection based on selection criteria
   including **product** price, **availability** , shipping date, shipping
   location or discount data. An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for
   Internet based **electronic** commerce business transaction processing
   method.
     USE - For processing **electronic** commerce business transactions
   e.g. for computer related **products** , etc in Internet.
     ADVANTAGE - The modular design of business transaction processor
   allows the distribution of processing load among several parallel
   service, thereby enabling faster processing of transactions and
   providing expandability for future growth. Interacts with multiple
   distributors, thereby enabling larger selection of **products** with
   higher availability and aggressively competitive pricing. Utilizes
   multilevel fraud checking system incorporating propriety as well as
   commercially available fraud checking system, thereby enabling high
   level of risk management. The business transaction processor is fully
   automated, including automatic generation of **electronic** catalog ,

competitive pricing engine according to flexible rule-based algorithms,
and automatic feedback to the customer.
DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows block diagram of over
all Internet based e-mail business transaction processing system.
Payment processor(70) Database (40)
pp; 41 DwgNo 1/6
Derwent Class: T01
International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/60

10/7/2   (Item 2 from file: 350)
DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX
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012784432   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 1999-590658/199950
 Computerized virtual product catalog **and** product **inventory**
 control presentation method for use in superstores, jewelry, industry
Patent Assignee: HILL & ASSOC INC CHARLES E (HILL-N)
Inventor: HILL C E
Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001
Patent Family:
Patent No   Kind   Date   Applicat No   Kind   Date   Week
US 5970471   A   19991019 US 96620947   A   19960322 199950 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 96620947 A 19960322
Patent Details:
Patent No Kind Lan Pg   Main IPC   Filing Notes
US 5970471   A   26 G06F-017/60

Abstract (Basic): US 5970471 A
NOVELTY - An user input selecting a **product** image from multiple
product images is received. Then, the selected image is integrated
with selected background image to provide customized **product** image
which is then displayed in one of review boxes for side by side
comparison with selected **product** image.
DETAILED DESCRIPTION - A menu including multiple available vendors
is displayed and an user input is received by selecting one of vendors.
A **product** category menu for **products** available from selected vendor
is displayed. Multiple **product** images are displayed on the display
from selected **product** category. Review boxes (114,116,118,120) are
provided on the display for side by side **comparison** of selected
product images. An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for **electronic**
catalog apparatus.
USE - For reviewing **product** catalog and **product** inventory
control by user in computers for use in superstores, jewelry, industry.
ADVANTAGE - Improves sales productivity and efficiency of **product**
presentation by providing the operator with the capability of
dynamically applying the desired background to **product** image and by
allowing the merchandizer to have a **virtual** **catalog** where both
product selection and **product** presentation can be changed on demand.
Allows corporate marketing and advertising departments to control and
manage **product** presentation efficiently at each sales **location**
using computerized **inventory** model.
DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the display screen for
displaying **product** **items** selected from scroll box.
Review boxes (114,116,118,120)
pp; 26 DwgNo 9/15
Derwent Class: T01
International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/60

DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX
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013653306   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2001-137518/200114
 **Online digital media data distribution over Internet, involves receiving
 delivery request from** merchant, **in content manager after** requesting
  reservation **of** digital   product **from content manager**
Patent Assignee: LIQUID AUDIO INC (LIQU-N)
Inventor: ANSELL S T; CANNON S A; CHERENSON A R; WISER P R
Number of Countries: 091 Number of Patents: 002
Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week	
WO 200062265	A1	20001019	WO 2000US9273	A	20000407	200114	B
AU 200042108	A	20001114	AU 200042108	A	20000407	200114	

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 99289513 A 19990409
Patent Details:
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WO 200062265 A1 E 84 G07F-019/00
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    SD SE SG SI SK SL TJ TM TR TT TZ UA UG UZ VN YU ZA ZW
    Designated States (Regional): AT BE CH CY DE DK EA ES FI FR GB GH GM GR
    IE IT KE LS LU MC MW NL OA PT SD SE SL SZ TZ UG ZW
AU 200042108 A   G07F-019/00   Based on patent WO 200062265

Abstract (Basic): WO 200062265 A1
     NOVELTY - The purchase request and payment data specifying
   remuneration for **digital   product** , are received in **merchant** .
   Reservation   request of **digital   product   stored** in content
   manager, is sent to content manager connected to merchant. Delivery
   request from merchant is received by content manager. Transaction
   identification data is sent to client and then to delivery system.
     DETAILED DESCRIPTION - The transaction identification data that
   identifies digital product and represents remuneration in accordance
   with payment data is sent to client after receiving the delivery
   request from merchant. Then the transaction identification data is
   transmitted from client computer to delivery system. The digital
   product is determined in accordance with transaction identification
   data in delivery system. Then digital product is transmitted from
   delivery system to client. The signal indicating sending completion of
   digital product to client, is sent from delivery system to content
   manager. The purchase data is recorded in content manager and sent to
   media licensing computer system.
     USE - For online distribution of digital media data such as music,
   video and/or computer software over Internet utilizing client server
   architecture.
     ADVANTAGE - Provides security of digital products in all phases of
   purchase and delivery transaction throughout the distribution system.
   Real time decryption reduces the amount of audio image that is
   available in memory buffer in unencrypted form at any given moment and
   thereby reduces the probability of unauthorized access to audio image.
   Provides consumers with flexibility and ease of use in selection
   previewing, downloading and transporting of audio and other digital
   products over wide area computer network. Allows music industry
   participation to protect their copy rights by securely uploading usage
   of media from content manager to various rights agents. Allows
   potential purchases to determine if audio content of media data file is
   appealing, while ensuring other data that have commercial value
   viewable only by purchasers. The digital products are digitally signed
   to prevent them from being changed.
     DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the diagram of secure
   online music distribution system.
     pp; 84 DwgNo 1/14
Derwent Class: T01; T05; W01; W02

International Patent Class (Main): G07F-019/00
International Patent Class (Additional): G06F-017/60; G07F-017/16

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX
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013479550   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2000-651493/200063
 Video rental apparatus using internet, has goods   reservation **unit
which** stores   reservation **information corresponding to predefined
rental** goods, **in database**
Patent Assignee: NTT COMMUNICATION WEAR KK (NITE)
Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001
Patent Family:·
Patent No   Kind   Date   Applicat No   Kind   Date   Week
JP 2000268099 A   20000929 JP 9974601   A   19990318 200063   B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 9974601 A 19990318
Patent Details:
Patent No Kind Lan Pg   Main IPC   Filing Notes
JP 2000268099 A   16 G06F-017/60

Abstract (Basic): JP 2000268099 A
     NOVELTY - A registration unit (3a) registers information of user
  using rental service, in a database (2a). The video loan information is
  exhibited and **searching** unit (3b) **searches** the rental **goods**
  information stored in database (2b). A reservation unit (3c) stores
  reservation information corresponding to predefined rental **goods** , in
  a database.
     DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An output unit (3d) searches and outputs map
  information including user's address, which is stored in a database
  (2d), during **reservation** of rental **goods** . INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are
  also included for the following:
     (a) video rental procedure;
     (b) video rental program stored in recording medium
     USE - For providing video rental service using internet.
     ADVANTAGE - As **search** and **retrieval** of rental **goods** are
  performed based on the loan information, via internet, desired **goods**
  can be immediately searched among several rental **goods** , hence rental
  goods can be **reserved** reliably without going to rental store thereby
  need for large store with large parking place is avoided. As map
  information including user's address is stored in database, extraction
  of reservation order from user and map information is performed
  simultaneously, hence quick delivery of rental goods is ensured.
     DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the block diagram of
  the video rental apparatus.
     Database (2a,2b,2d)
     Registration unit (3a)
     Goods **search** unit (3b)
     Goods **reservation** unit (3c)
     Output unit (3d)
     pp; 16 DwgNo 1/19
Derwent Class: T01
International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/60
International Patent Class (Additional): G06F-017/30

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX
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013446665   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2000-618608/200059
 Online trading method for buying/selling goods through internet,
 involves searching **suitable** seller **located within required distance
 limit as specified by buyer, and displaying identified seller's**

information
Patent Assignee: TOLZ D (TOLZ-I)
Inventor: TOLZ D
Number of Countries: 089 Number of Patents: 002
Patent Family:

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WO 200043933	A1	20000727	WO 2000US1852	A	20000126	200059	B
AU 200027369	A	20000807	AU 200027369	A	20000126	200059	

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 99117232 A 19990126
Patent Details:

Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC   Filing Notes
WO 200043933 A1 E 72 G06F-017/60
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    KR KZ LC LK LR LS LT LU LV MA MD MG MK MN MW MX NO NZ PL PT RO RU SD SE
    SG SI SK SL TJ TM TR TT TZ UA UG UZ VN YU ZA ZW
    Designated States (Regional): AT BE CH CY DE DK EA ES FI FR GB GH GM GR
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AU 200027369 A   G06F-017/60   Based on patent WO 200043933

Abstract (Basic): WO 200043933 A1
    NOVELTY - The **search** for appropriate **item** is performed in
stored database (18c) records of seller for identifying data which
correlate with buyer's requirement. The search is also performed based
on difference in distance between seller and buyer. The identified
location and suitable price list can be viewed on display screen by
buyer.
    DETAILED DESCRIPTION - The database record of sellers consists of
price of list of item and address location. The buyer enters item
description, desired price, time period for transaction. The search is
performed based on buyer's requirement, so that item can be purchased
within shorter duration and distance. Geographical algorithm (18a) is
used for calculating the distance between buyer and seller. Transaction
is initiated by notifying the **seller** about **electronic** payment for
preferred **goods** in advance of delivery or **pickup** . INDEPENDENT
CLAIMS are also included for the following:
    (a) system facilitating establishment of business relationship
between seller and buyer;
    (b) computer program for establishing relationship between sellers
and buyers in a geographic area;
    (c) direct sales organization establishment method in a desired
geographic area via internet
    USE - On-line trading method for local selling, auctioning,
exchanging goods, service and information over world wide web. Also
used in local grocery market, bakery etc., with provision for
electronic billing.
    ADVANTAGE - Since buyer enters all his requirements about the **item**
 and suitable **search** is performed considering the distance radius
between traders, transaction time is reduced. The invention helps in
discovery of cheapest item which may actually be located further away,
than closer to more expensive items by interaction between buyer and
seller, so that desired items may be located by incrementing distance
and initiating new searches. Allows creation of national website,
operating locally by facilitating auction or classified ad site on
internet to provide local auction, based on location of user and radius
of choosing, which is currently not offered anywhere on internet.
Enables creation of stronger bonds among people in given area,
fastening economic growth in a region. The system can be arranged to
charge merchant's accounts or credit card and saves time of customer
and seller. The system is more efficient for buyer, as he can place an
order in advance, when item is still in stock and has to only **pickup**
the ordered **items** , therefore the system moves retail shops closer to
becoming shopping point for goods, as opposed to place where users
browse and **shop** as **shopping** and browsing is conducted **online** . The
system allows integration of shippers/buyers, **sellers** so that
shippers can become integrated and work like a much larger company,
operating independently.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the environment within which the online trading is operated.
Geographic algorithm (18a)
Database (18c)
pp; 72 DwgNo 1a/11
Derwent Class: T01; T05; W01
International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/60

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013415635   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2000-587573/200055
On-line telecommunications market place and search engine   where user
views, compares and buy vendors   items and obtains news, information
and proposals on latest products using virtual RFP
Patent Assignee: TELEZOO.COM CORP (TELE-N)
Inventor: SHAMS E; VED R
Number of Countries: 089 Number of Patents: 002
Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week	
WO 200055787	A2	20000921	WO 2000US6648	A	20000315	200055	B
AU 200033981	A	20001004	AU 200033981	A	20000315	200101	

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 99267660 A 19990315
Patent Details:

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WO 200055787	A2	E	28	G06F-017/60	

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    KR KZ LC LK LR LS LT LU LV MA MD MG MK MN MW MX NO NZ PL PT RO RU SD SE
    SG SI SK SL TJ TM TR TT TZ UA UG UZ VN YU ZA ZW
    Designated States (Regional): AT BE CH CY DE DK EA ES FI FR GB GH GM GR
    IE IT KE LS LU MC MW NL OA PT SD SE SL SZ TZ UG ZW
AU 200033981 A   G06F-017/60   Based on patent WO 200055787

Abstract (Basic): WO 200055787 A2
        NOVELTY - A system and unique process (search capability, database
    normalization, and like for like comparisons) for presenting
    information in the telecommunications field in a number of categories
    from various **vendors** (102) and able to place orders **on -line** .
    Vendors can change and edit there data base (100) of information by
    accessing a password protected page.
        DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for a
    method of matching vendors with users desiring a service or product via
    an Internet-based web site.
        USE - For obtaining information and buying telecommunications
    products or services on-line.
        ADVANTAGE - All information related to telecommunications can be
    found, e.g. **products** , services, system solutions, **requests** for
    proposals, posted tenders, financing plans (for vendors), news related
    to investments, telecommunications, regulations, product news, job
    postings, telecom and networking companies, educational materials, and
    able to purchase products.
        DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows a high level
    illustration of the input process where the customer in this case is a
    vendor who wishes to add to their product/service line. Where **vendor**
    logs in via the **Internet** and has sole access and control over their
    partition within the database.
        Vendor (102)
        Internet (110)
        Database (100)
        pp; 28 DwgNo 1/25
Derwent Class: T01; T05
International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/60

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013403463   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2000-575401/200054
 **Hardware/software checking system for information processor, involves
 searching** internet **for manufacturer's** product **information** comparing
 with stored **component information and displaying comparison result**
Patent Assignee: HITACHI ASAHI ELECTRONICS KK (HITA-N); HITACHI LTD (HITA
)
Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001
Patent Family:
Patent No   Kind   Date   Applicat No   Kind   Date   Week
JP 2000227852 A   20000815 JP 9929689   A   19990208 200054 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 9929689 A 19990208
Patent Details:
Patent No Kind Lan Pg   Main IPC   Filing Notes
JP 2000227852 A   5 G06F-009/06

Abstract (Basic): JP 2000227852 A
      NOVELTY - Information regarding peripheral equipment or application
   software which user proposes to add is input to a memory (5). Internet
   (10) is **searched** for hardware/software manufacturer's **product**
   information. The **product** information is **compared** with component
   information stored in another memory (4). The comparison result is then
   displayed.
      USE - For checking suitability of new hardware/software for
   information processor.
      ADVANTAGE - Chooses automatically proper hardware/software for
   adding to information processor.
      DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure is a block diagram of the
   components of hardware/software suitability checking system.
      Memories (4,5)
      Internet (10)
      pp; 5 DwgNo 1/4
Derwent Class: T01
International Patent Class (Main): G06F-009/06
International Patent Class (Additional): G06F-017/30

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013310607   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2000-482544/200042
   Product   searching **method for use in** Internet   commerce, **involves
 processing data input request on computer** network **of service provider
 and then** comparing **with available** products **registered in database**
Patent Assignee: LIVETECHNOLOGY PTY LTD (LIVE-N)
Inventor: DOMYAN B
Number of Countries: 075 Number of Patents: 002
Patent Family:
Patent No   Kind   Date   Applicat No   Kind   Date   Week
WO 200038086 A2   20000629 WO 99ZA134   A   19991208 200042 B
AU 200039343 A   20000712 AU 200039343   A   19991208 200048

Priority Applications (No Type Date): ZA 9811197 A 19981208; ZA 9811196 A
   19981208
Patent Details:
Patent No Kind Lan Pg   Main IPC   Filing Notes
WO 200038086 A2 E   39 G06F-017/30
   Designated States (National): AE AL AM AT AU AZ BA BB BG BR BY CA CH CN
    CU CZ DE DK EE ES FI GB GD GE GH GM HR HU ID IL IN IS JP KE KG KP KR KZ
    LC LK LR LS LT LU LV MD MG MK MN MW MX NO NZ PL PT RO RU SD SE SG SI SK

Abstract (Basic): WO 200038086 A2
        NOVELTY - A series of data input **requests** are generated to
    identify **product** **request** to locate the **product** **requested** and to
    relate the prize of the **product** **requested** . The data input **requests**
      are processed on computer network (4) of service provider and then
    compared with available **products** registered in database (7).
    Response data containing the search result is generated and then
    communicated to the user.
        DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An electronic network has one data terminal
    at a user base, computer network of service provider and a database
    containing details of available products. The browser based software
    application with encryption and decryption capabilities compile user
    request information and forwards them to computer network of service
    provider. An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for information network
    search engine.
        USE - For **Internet** **commerce** used for allocating and generating
    reports for searching of specific information or data.
        ADVANTAGE - The **search** of specific **product** in an information
    network is performed sensitively in relation to product identity or
    category location and prize. Vendors and program advertisers benefit as
    their **products** are more accessible and **search** result are more
    accurate, thereby benefiting their business.
        DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the block diagram of
product **request** generation system.
        Computer network (4)
        Database (7)
        pp; 39 DwgNo 1/9
Derwent Class: T01
International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/30

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX
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013199670   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2000-371543/200032
   Electronic   catalogue **utilization apparatus for use in** electronic
 commercial transaction between sections or enterprises
Patent Assignee: TOSHIBA KK (TOKE)
Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001
Patent Family:
Patent No   Kind   Date   Applicat No   Kind   Date   Week
JP 2000123034 A   20000428 JP 98292504   A   19981014 200032 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 98292504 A 19981014
Patent Details:
Patent No Kind Lan Pg   Main IPC   Filing Notes
JP 2000123034 A   24 G06F-017/30

Abstract (Basic): JP 2000123034 A
        NOVELTY - A data mapping unit (4) matches the input data in a user
    system (2) which are based on arbitrary data structures, with the
    component of each dictionary information (81) in an **electronic**
 catalogue . A user **catalogue** forming unit (6) produces a user
    catalogue (7) which extracts the catalogue data (82) indicated from the
    matched dictionary information, based on the matching result.
        DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for an
 electronic **catalogue** system.
        USE - For use in electronic commercial transaction between sections
    or enterprises. Applicable to **electronic** **catalogue** system.
        ADVANTAGE - Prevents duplication **hold** of **product** data
    corresponding to **electronic** **catalogue** contents on a user system.
    Enables flexible and efficient **search** and utilization of **product**
    data on **electronic** **catalogue** using user's viewpoint. Enables simple

search of **product** ●a on **electronic** catalogue w●out
inconvenience caused by difference of data structure of user system and
electronic catalogue . Improves availability of **electronic**
catalogue due to shared product data.
      DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the block diagram of
the functional component of an **electronic** catalogue utilization
apparatus.
      User system (2)
      Data mapping unit (4)
      User catalogue forming unit (6)
      User catalogue (7)
      Dictionary information (81)
      Catalogue data (82)
      pp; 24 DwgNo 1/33
Derwent Class: T01
International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/30

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013106482   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2000-278353/200024
 Goods selling registration processing apparatus, e.g. POS terminal,
  electronic cash register, for e.g. store
Patent Assignee: TOKYO ELECTRIC CO LTD (TODK)
Number of Countries: 001   Number of Patents: 001
Patent Family:
Patent No   Kind   Date   Applicat No   Kind   Date   Week
JP 2000076551 A   20000314 JP 98248573   A   1998090   200024 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 98248573 A 19980902
Patent Details:
Patent No Kind Lan Pg   Main IPC   Filing Notes
JP 2000076551 A   9 G07G-001/12

Abstract (Basic): JP 2000076551 A
      NOVELTY - A search unit **searches** whether the unit code of **goods**
   exists in the registration goods buffer. A service processing unit
   performs the information processing for providing a privilege when the
   unit code of the **goods** is detected by the **search** unit from the
   registration **goods** buffer. DETAILED DESCRIPTION - The goods selling
   registration processing apparatus, e.g. POS terminal (1-1-1-n) has a
   goods application condition setting table (5-1-5-n) which stores
   beforehand the unit code of the **goods** . A registration **goods** buffer
  holds the unit code of all the commodities during the sales
   registration process until the goods registration completion is
   declared by operating a predetermined key on the keyboard.
      USE - For e.g. store.
      ADVANTAGE - Achieves promotion of sale. DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) -
   The figure shows a schematic drawing of a point of sale system.
   (1-1-1-n) POS terminal; (5-1-5-n) Treasure application condition
   setting table.
      Dwg.1/9
Derwent Class: T05
International Patent Class (Main): G07G-001/12

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012603236   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 1999-409340/199935
 Goods purchasing assistance system - informs completion of purchasing
  reservation to user according to goods **purchasing** reservation
 judgment

Patent Assignee: FUJI EL●RIC CO LTD (FJIE)
Number of Countries: 001   Number of Patents: 001
Patent Family:
Patent No   Kind   Date   Applicat No   Kind   Date   Week
JP 11161695   A   19990618 JP 97323603   A   19971125   199935 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 97323603 A 19971125
Patent Details:
Patent No Kind Lan Pg   Main IPC   Filing Notes
JP 11161695   A   9 G06F-017/60

Abstract (Basic): JP 11161695 A
        NOVELTY - A **search** unit **searches** **goods** information stored in
    database, with respect to the order received from user via network. A
    judgment unit decides whether purchasing **reservation** of **goods** can
    be done. The completion of purchasing reservation is informed to the
    user according to the judgment result. DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An
    INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for the goods purchasing procedure.
        USE - For ordering and confirming availability of **goods** without
    troublesome manual **search** .
        ADVANTAGE - Eliminates trouble to user for **searching** **goods** , by
    performing **reservation** of desired **goods** via **network** . Enables
    updating **inventory** situation of goods **in** **store** , hence improving
    customer service. Offers goods sales information quickly and currently,
    even when new goods are introduced. DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The
    figure shows block diagram of terminal equipment.
        Dwg.2/9
Derwent Class: T01
International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/60

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX
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011955761   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 1998-372671/199832
   On- line   shopping **control method using computer - involves**
  comparing **executed** goods **ordering information with predetermined**
 standard information, based on which price of requested goods **is**
 obtained
Patent Assignee: FUJITSU LTD (FUIT)
Number of Countries: 001   Number of Patents: 001
Patent Family:
Patent No   Kind   Date   Applicat No   Kind   Date   Week
JP 10149388   A   19980602 JP 97138558   A   19970528   199832 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 96250711 A 19960920
Patent Details:
Patent No Kind Lan Pg   Main IPC   Filing Notes
JP 10149388   A   8 G06F-017/60

Abstract (Basic): JP 10149388 A
        The method involves executing the goods ordering information from
    the purchaser, using the predetermined hardware and software units. The
    executed information is transmitted to a controller, through a
    communication channel.
        The received information is compared with the predetermined **goods**
    standard information. Based on the **comparison** result the **goods**
  price **requested** by the purchaser is determined.
        ADVANTAGE - Facilitates goods prices calculation easily based on
    goods information.
        Dwg.1/12
Derwent Class: T01; T05
International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/60
International Patent Class (Additional): G07G-001/12

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011776198   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 1998-193108/199817
 **Distributed database for item inventory information exchange - involves
 storing universal component category set at vendor site databases with
  local subset inventories updating information at set times**
Patent Assignee: MAX SOFTWARE INC (MAXS-N)
Inventor: CABANA J; KAYE E G; SONG S
Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001
Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week	
US 5727164	A	19980310	US 91806637	A	19911213	199817	B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 91806637 A 19911213
Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
US 5727164	A		33	G06F-015/00	

Abstract (Basic): US 5727164 A
      The item information exchange method involves storing a universal
    set of categories of the **electronic** components at each of numerous
    vendor sites. At each **vendor** site a **local**   **inventory** of
    electronic components of at least one category in the vendor
    controlled data base and data identifying other vendor sites permitted
    to access the vendor controlled data base of the vendor site is stored.
    At each vendor site, at least one category of the inventory is selected
    from the universal category set as available to other vendors.
      Vendor site data bases permitted to access each other's data base
    are automatically interconnected at scheduled times to exchange
    component information. Component information is transmitted to the
    other vendor databases. Component information is received at each
    vendor site directly from the other vendor data bases in searchable
    offsite data bases.
      ADVANTAGE - Provides efficient time spent and dollar return using
    fast local **item** data **retrieval** . Permits fast and simple updating of
    local database. Allows user to provide buying or selling only facility.
    Provides rapid search technique.
      Dwg.2/25
Derwent Class: T01; W01
International Patent Class (Main): G06F-015/00

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011684447   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 1998-101357/199809
 **Multimedia data access method - defining protocols for browsers to query
 indexing server and forwarding results to archive server to retrieve
 results**
Patent Assignee: SURVIVORS SHOAH VISUAL HISTORY FOUND (SURV-N)
Inventor: GUSTMAN S
Number of Countries: 077 Number of Patents: 005
Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week	
WO 9801955	A2	19980115	WO 97US11898	A	19970710	199809	B
AU 9737220	A	19980202	AU 9737220	A	19970710	199826	
US 5813014	A	19980922	US 96678727	A	19960710	199845	
EP 953176	A2	19991103	EP 97934076	A	19970710	199951	
			WO 97US11898	A	19970710		
US 6199060	B1	20010306	US 96678727	A	19960710	200115	
			US 9876504	A	19980512		

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 96678727 A 19960710; US 9876504 A

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Patent Details:
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WO 9801955   A2 E 106 H04B-000/00
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    MD MG MK MN MW MX NO NZ PL PT RO RU SD SE SG SI SK TJ TM TR TT UA UG US
    UZ VN
    Designated States (Regional): AT BE CH DE DK EA ES FI FR GB GH GR IE IT
    KE LS LU MC MW NL OA PT SD SE SZ UG ZW
AU 9737220   A   H04B-001/00   Based on patent WO 9801955
US 5813014   A   G06F-017/30
EP 953176   A2 E   G06F-017/30   Based on patent WO 9801955
    Designated States (Regional): BE CH DE FR GB IT LI LU NL
US 6199060   B1   G06F-017/30   Div ex application US 96678727
                                       Div ex patent US 5813014

Abstract (Basic): WO 9801955 A
      The method involves defining a catalogue for multimedia data with
    several catalogue elements. Each of the elements is associated with a
    portion of the multimedia data. A browser (318) accepts input from a
    user to formulate search requests. The request is transmitted to an
    indexing server (316). The server identifies multimedia data based on
    the request.
      Results which contain one or mor of the **catalogue** elements are
    returned to the **browser** which forwards each element to an archive
    server (306) which identifies which tertiary storage manager (304)
    holds the **requested** **item** . The results are returned via a method
    player (302) which responds to play controls, e.g. forward, reverse,
    and converts data to form usable by browser.
      ADVANTAGE - Allows each component of retrieval system to be on
    different platform and be updated or replaced independently.
      Dwg.3/15
Derwent Class: T01; W04
International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/30; H04B-000/00; H04B-001/00

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010610504   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 1996-107457/199612
 Multiple vendor   catalogue **searching for** electronic **sourcing system**
 - has local **computer provided with requistion,** inventory **and vendor**
 databases with search **system allowing identified** items **to be sent to**
 requistion systems
Patent Assignee: FISHER SCI CO (FISH-N); PROCURENET INC (PROC-N)
Inventor: JOHNSON J M; KINROSS R P; MELLY F J; MOMYER D A
Number of Countries: 012 Number of Patents: 006
Patent Family:

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EP 697669	A2	19960221	EP 95305364	A	19950801	199612	B
CA 2155717	A	19960211	CA 2155717	A	19950809	199623	
JP 8137913	A	19960531	JP 95204698	A	19950810	199632	
EP 697669	A3	19971001	EP 95305364	A	19950801	199749	
US 6023683	A	20000208	US 94288577	A	19940810	200014	
US 6055516	A	20000425	US 94288577	A	19940810	200027	
			US 99234366	A	19990120		

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 94288577 A 19940810; US 99234366 A
    19990120
Cited Patents: US 4972318; US 4984155; US 4992940; US 5319542; WO 9011572
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    Designated States (Regional): BE CH DE ES FR GB IT LI NL
US 6055516   A   G06F-017/60   Cont of application US 94288577

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JP 8137913    A    34 G06F-017/30
US 6023683    A       G06F-017/60
CA 2155717    A       G06F-017/60
EP 697669     A3      G06F-017/60
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Abstract (Basic): EP 697669 A

The sourcing system uses a local computer provided with vendor databases and requisition processing system. The conventional computer (20) uses a multi-tasking operating system to operate the different components. The system has a search engine (50) and catalog databases (36) from a number of vendors. Additionally the system supports for requisition, inventory and specific databases (42).

The user enters some information identifying items and the database provides further details and/or images. The data identifying selected items are automatically extracted from the catalog databases and passed to the requisition systems.

ADVANTAGE - Allows multiple vendor catalogs to be **searched** and selected **item** data to be automatically transferred to other systems.

Dwg.1A/3
Derwent Class: T01
International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/30; G06F-017/60

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WPI Acc No: 1989-023982/198903
Purchased-product data processing from electronic cash register - employs price look-up file where multi-item package data blocks include flags for alerting keyboard operator
Patent Assignee: NCR CORP (NATC)
Inventor: GRULKE J M
Number of Countries: 005 Number of Patents: 006
Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week	
WO 8810480	A	19881229	WO 88US1769	A	19880526	198903	B
US 4833609	A	19890523	US 8763601	A	19870618	198924	
EP 322442	A	19890705	EP 88906284	A	19880526	198927	
JP 1503653	W	19891207				199004	
EP 322442	B	19920325	EP 88906284	A	19880526	199213	
DE 3869585	G	19920430				199219	

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 8763601 A 19870618
Cited Patents: EP 189830; GB 2141857; JP 54152836; 1.Jnl.Ref
Patent Details:

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WO 8810480     A   E  16
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   Designated States (Regional): DE FR GB
US 4833609     A      8
EP 322442      A   E
   Designated States (Regional): DE FR GB
EP 322442      B     10
   Designated States (Regional): DE FR GB
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Abstract (Basic): WO 8810480 A
The electronic cash register includes a CPU controlling its display and printer, with an application software memory and a random-access memory for temporary totals stored during checkout operation. Prod. identification data and prices are stored in blocks in the remote price-lookup file.

For prods. sold normally in multi-item packages, the relevant data blocks include a flag which modifies the display, instructing the operator to enter via her keyboard the number of items purchased. The price is extracted from the lookup file when the bar code label is scanned.

USE/ADVANTAGE - Where items such as beverage cans or bottles are
   sold in multi-item packages. Operator errors are reduced since operator
   is not required to remember to preselect qualifier key.
         0/5
Abstract (Equivalent): EP 322442 B
         A method for processing data relating to purchased products
   utilising an operator actuated electronic cash register (20) having a
   keyboard (22) and a display (26), and utilising a price look-up file
   (44) in which are stored a plurality of data blocks each containing
   information relating to the price of a respective product, said data
   blocks being accessed in operation for the purpose of obtaining the
   price of a purchased product and displaying this price on said display,
   characterised in that each of said data blocks includes or consists of
   a first data record (92) in which are included a first data item which
   is the same for all the first data records, and a second data item
   which identifies the respective product, each of certain ones of said
   data blocks including in the first data record a flag indicative that
   the respective product is normally sold as a multi-item package, and
   including a plurality of second data records (94) in each of which are
   included the relevant second data item, a third data item representing
   a respective number of items in a package, and a fourth data item
   representing the price of said respective number of items, the method
   including the following steps: (a) generating said first data **item**
   and the relevant second data **item** for a purchased **product** ; (b)
   comparing the first and second data **items** generated in step (a) with
   the first and second items of the first data records in said price
   look-up file (44); (c) upon finding a correct comparison in step (b),
   checking whether the relevant first data record includes said flag; (d)
   displaying on said display (26) the price of the purchased product as
   stored in the relevant data block if said flag is not detected in step
   (c), and, if said flag is detected in step (c), providing an indication
   to the operator that the number of items included in the purchased
   product are to be entered in said cash register (20); (e) entering said
   number of items in said cash register (20) by means of said keyboar
Abstract (Equivalent): US 4833609 A
         For a **merchandise** checkout system including an **electronic** cash
   register having a keyboard and a display, and which further includes a
   price look-up table, a method for processing the purchase of a
   multi-item merchandise item is described. The purchased item is
   identified as one which is sold as part of a multi-**item** package, and
   it is **requested** that the operator insert the number of such
   merchandise items being purchased into the keyboard.
         The number inserted is combined with the first item number
   associated with the purchased merchandise item to generate a second
   item number. The price of the number of such merchandise items being
   purchased is looked up in the look-up table by **comparing** the second
   item number with the combined first and second item numbers in each of
   the second records.
         ADVANTAGE - Stores large number of price levels for single
   merchandise item, automatically accesses memory for price without
   requiring use of qualifier key. (8pp)r
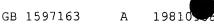Derwent Class: T01; T05
International Patent Class (Additional): G06F-015/21; G07G-001/14

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX
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003082875
WPI Acc No: 1981-J2917D/198136
 **Portable electronic data storage device e.g. diary - has alterable ROM
 and uses abbreviation of data to** search items **in data store**
Patent Assignee: GEN INSTR MICROELECTRONICS (GENN)
Inventor: MUNDAY J C
Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001
Patent Family:
Patent No   Kind Date   Applicat No   Kind Date   Week

Priority Applications (No Type Date): GB 7711006 A 19770315
Patent Details:
Patent No Kind Lan Pg   Main IPC   Filing Notes
GB 1597163   A   6

Abstract (Basic): GB 1597163 A
      The data storage device includes a set of alpha-numeric keys (1) a
    non-volatile **electronic   store** (2), **electronic** control circuitry
    (3) and an **electronic** display (4). The device is operable in a first
    mode in which an item of data is entered into the device by way of the
    keys and the control circuitry is operative to write the item of data
    into the store with the data items already in the It also has a second
    mode in which an abbreviated item of data is entered into the data and
    the control circuitry **compares** the abbreviated **item** of data in the
    store with the data items already in the store.
      In the event of correspondence between the abbreviated item of data
    and a predetermined, first portion of a data item in the store, the
    second portion of the corresp. data item in the store at least is read
    out and displayed. Pref. the device is for hand-held operation and can
    fit into a pocket. To this end, the control circuitry and/or store may
    comprise at least one integrated circuit and be disposed in a single
    plane.
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Derwent Class: T01
International Patent Class (Additional): G06F-015/02

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DIALOG(R)File 347:JAPIO
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06649850   **Image available**
POINT OF SALES SYSTEM

PUB. NO.:   2000-235668 [JP 2000235668 A]
PUBLISHED: August 29, 2000 (20000829)
INVENTOR(s):   OTSUKA KAZUYUKI
APPLICANT(s): NEC INFORMATION SERVICE LTD
APPL. NO.:   11-034725 [JP 9934725]
FILED: February 12, 1999 (19990212)

                        ABSTRACT
PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide a point of sales system capable of further
improving an advertising effect of **merchandise** in **comparison** with the
conventional case and obtaining information intrinsic to desired
merchandise when the merchandise is purchased by a customer by printing and
outputting a sales promotion message intrinsic to the **merchandise** on a
receipt.

SOLUTION: A **server** of a PUS system is provided with a storage means 22
with a PLU master table to store a name of merchandise, a selling price and
a sales promotion flag corresponding to a PLU code, and a sales promotion
message table to store the sales promotion message intrinsic to merchandise
corresponding to the sales promotion flag by making it correspond to an
priority order and a control means 21 to **retrieve** the name of
 merchandise , the selling price and the sales promotion flag corresponding
to bar code read from the merchandise, to judge the priority order of the
sale promotion message corresponding to the sales promotion flag based on a
table and to print the sale promotion message and the name of merchandise
with the highest priority order on the receipt.

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DIALOG(R)File 347:JAPIO

06513868   **Image available**
RETIREVAL-TYPE RESERVATION PURCHASE SYSTEM

ABSTRACT
PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide an efficient system where **product** information is **retrieved** instead of a user and a product which the user desires the most is reserved/ purchased by permitting a generated agent to **retrieve** a **product** information database connected to a network based on a product purchase condition.

SOLUTION: At first, a user accesses to a reservation purchase server 3 from a client 1 and registers a product purchase condition (user individual information, a **product** **retrieval** condition, a **product** purchase budget and the transfer destination of a **product**). The reservation purchase server 3 starts a **product** **retrieval** processing 6 only on a plurality of product information databases 8 as objects. When the product matched with the product purchase condition is detected, **product** information is registered in a **retrieval** result temporary storage part 10. When a plurality of products are detected, the products are ranked based on the product purchase condition, and a purchase processing is executed on an **electronic** **shopping** center selling the product of the highest rank.

12/7/18   (Item 3 from file: 347)
DIALOG(R)File 347:JAPIO

05828792   **Image available**
ELECTRONIC   SHOPPING SYSTEM

ABSTRACT
PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide an **electronic** **shopping** system for switching the display of respective product data by a time limit and to test display new product data registered to a data base without changing existing data inside the **electronic** **shopping** system by providing a display valid time period in the respective product data to be a catalog.

SOLUTION: A page generation function 105 and a data base retrieval function 106 called from a WWW server 103 **retrieve** a **product** data base by the present time inside this **electronic** **shopping** system, **shop** IDs uniquely imparted to respective shops and **product** IDs, **compare** the display valid time periods set to the respective product data and the present time and generate only the product data present within a range into a page. Also, by arbitrarily setting the present time and sending a page generation request by a **catalog** preparing person, a **virtual** present time generation function 107 dynamically changes the present time at the time of **product** data base **retrieval** and test displays the data of the optional display valid time period registered to the data base by the catalog preparing person.

DIALOG(R)File 347:JAPIO

05470789   **Image available**
DATA MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND CONTROLLING METHOD FOR IT

PUB. NO.:   09-085589 [JP 9085589 A]
PUBLISHED: March 31, 1997 (19970331)
INVENTOR(s):   YOKOYAMA KEIRO
               TSUKASAKI HITOSHI
               MIZUNO YOSHIHIRO
               KAWACHI HIROYUKI
APPLICANT(s): CANON INC [000100] (A Japanese Company or Corporation), JP
               (Japan)
APPL. NO.:   07-240171 [JP 95240171]
FILED: September 19, 1995 (19950919)

ABSTRACT
PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To decrease load of an operator managing the
manufacturing process of products by providing a process hysteresis data
judging means for judging the state of the process hysteresis of the
product having the target number on the basis of the process hysteresis
data.
SOLUTION: A file server(FS) 1 obtains the number of the process by the
initially selected input item, refers to a product process hysteresis
master table of the input **product** number, and **retrieves** the number of
the process of the finished product process. The **product** hysteresis
master table for **holding** and renewing the process number of the finished
manufacturing process in relation to all product numbers is **stored** in the
file **server** 1. The data are sequentially inputted by a manufacturing
device connected to a data base managing computer 2 and a network 6. The
optional data item is selected by handy terminals(HT) 5, the number of the
product subjected to processing is input, and enquiry is performed to the
FS. The result is displayed on the HT and helps an operator to judge.

DIALOG(R)File 347:JAPIO

04823040   **Image available**
ELECTRONIC   CATALOG   SHOPPING SYSTEM

PUB. NO.:   07-115640 [JP 7115640 A]
PUBLISHED: May 02, 1995 (19950502)
INVENTOR(s):   MORIKAWA TAKEO
APPLICANT(s): TOSHIBA CORP [000307] (A Japanese Company or Corporation), JP
               (Japan)
APPL. NO.:   05-259775 [JP 93259775]
FILED: October 18, 1993 (19931018)

ABSTRACT
PURPOSE: To facilitate the **comparison** of purchased **merchandise** by
successively accessing plural information centers, preserving any specified
merchandise information and **comparing** it with information from the
other information center.

CONSTITUTION: In a catalog shopping mode, first of all, the merchandise
information from information centers 101-103 preserved in a data storage
part 110 is displayed on a display part 111. While observing that display
picture, a user selects any desired sales company by using an input part
106. Next, since the merchandise information of that sales company is
displayed, when it is the desired merchandise, its merchandise name is
selected by the user. When the merchandise name is selected, the image of
relevant **merchandise** is **retrieved** from image data in a CD-ROM 113 and

displayed together with the merchandise information. Afterwards, when there are the data of the other sales company, these data are compared and displayed together with the image data in the CD-ROM 113. Then, the sales company is finally decided and when the purchase of merchandise is decided, that merchandise is directly ordered to the sales company by using a telephone line 104.

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013848868   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2001-333081/200135
 **Stocktaking management procedure of POS system, involves providing count
 output of individual** goods **quantity to** store   server **via** in- store
 communication circuit for updating inventory **data**
Patent Assignee: FUJITSU GENERAL LTD (GENH)
Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001
Patent Family:
Patent No   Kind   Date   Applicat No   Kind   Date   Week
JP 2001088912 A   20010403 JP 99264915   A   19990920 200135 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 99264915 A 19990920
Patent Details:
Patent No Kind Lan Pg   Main IPC   Filing Notes
JP 2001088912 A   10 B65G-001/137

Abstract (Basic): JP 2001088912 A
        NOVELTY - The movement control of cameras (1) for photographing
   inventory **goods** in **goods** exhibition shelf or warehouse shelf, is
   performed. Selective picked-up image is processed and outline data is
   extracted. The quantity of individual **goods** is counted based on
   outline shape, and input to **store** **server** (40) via in-**shop**
   communication circuit (6). The **server** updates inventory data by input
   goods quantity data.
        DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for
   stocktaking system.
        USE - For management of stocktaking of **goods** in point-of-sales
   system at stores.
        ADVANTAGE - Enables management of stocktaking by use of several
   cameras.
        DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the schematic system
   block diagram of stocktaking system. (Drawing includes non-English
   language text).
        Camera (1)
        In-shop communication circuit (6)
        Store **server** (40)
        pp; 10 DwgNo 1/5
Derwent Class: Q35; T01; T05
International Patent Class (Main): B65G-001/137
International Patent Class (Additional): G06F-017/60; G06F-019/00;
  G06T-001/00; G06T-007/00; G07G-001/12; G07G-001/14; H04N-007/18

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013482990   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2000-654933/200063
 Access time management system for digital **versatile disc drive,** stores
 set up information in memory based on rank of information
Patent Assignee: OAK TECHNOLOGY INC (OAKT-N)
Inventor: DECARMO L A; MOBINI A M
Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001
Patent Family:
Patent No   Kind   Date   Applicat No   Kind   Date   Week
US 6065006   A   20000516 US 9819017   A   19980205 200063 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 9819017 A 19980205
Patent Details:
Patent No Kind Lan Pg   Main IPC   Filing Notes
US 6065006   A   13 G06F-012/00

Abstract (Basic): US 6065006 A

NOVELTY - The digital versatile disc (DVD) player apparatus comprises program logic configured to read setup information corresponding to a selected title. The information is ranked based on criteria such as number of times the title has been played, specific requests and proximity of the title. Based on the rank, the setup information is stored in the memory.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

(a) a method to reduce the access time to set up information;

(b) computer program **product** with program code for use with the system

USE - Used in ranking set up information of DVD title playback.

ADVANTAGE - The program logic makes set up information readily accessible to a player. The DVD player's high speed storage is not overburdened with information and objects related to the titles that are not likely to be played. So the likelihood that a title will be played is balanced against the **availability** of **local** memory. The amount of local memory set aside for title caching is adjusted, permitting a greater or lesser number of titles to be stored. The title cache is stored every time a user plays a DVD. Hence an initial caching list based on previous usage pattern is established.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the flowchart of the title rank process.

pp; 13 DwgNo 4/5

Derwent Class: T01; W04
International Patent Class (Main): G06F-012/00
International Patent Class (Additional): G06F-013/00

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012623707   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 1999-429811/199936
Method for distributing and redeeming electronic promotions to several consumers through communications network maintains account for each consumer and associates each consumer account with unique key
Patent Assignee: CONCEPT SHOPPING INC (CONC-N)
Inventor: KEPECS J
Number of Countries: 026 Number of Patents: 004
Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week	
WO 9926176	A1	19990527	WO 98US24208	A	19981113	199936	B
AU 9915856	A	19990607	AU 9915856	A	19981113	199943	
US 6009411	A	19991228	US 97970526	A	19971114	200007	
EP 1029302	A1	20000823	EP 98960198	A	19981113	200041	
			WO 98US24208	A	19981113		

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 97970526 A 19971114
Patent Details:

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WO 9926176	A1	E	49	G06F-017/60	

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Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
AU 9915856	A			G06F-017/60	Based on patent WO 9926176
US 6009411	A			G06F-017/60	
EP 1029302	A1	E		G06F-017/60	Based on patent WO 9926176

   Designated States (Regional): AT BE CH CY DE DK ES FI FR GB GR IE IT LI LU MC NL PT SE

Abstract (Basic): WO 9926176 A1
NOVELTY - The method presents consumer with discount of choice of **available items in store** associated with key, or collection of **stores** over the **Internet** (13). Selections of these made by the consumer is via a computer (10) are recorded. On purchase of the **items** at the store by the consumer this data is received and the selections

and purchases reconciled to record a credit in the customer account.
      DETAILED DESCRIPTION - Unlike paper or electronic coupons, no
consumer action other than the selection of promotions desired is
required for purchases of **items** .
      USE - For discounting and promotion of **goods** and services to
consumers and to the electronic distribution of these promotions, such
as discounts, rebates and special prices for **goods** and services.
      ADVANTAGE - Permits a unified display and reconciliation of both
discounts by adding 2 discounts on the same **item** and by displaying
both discounts to the same consumer account.
      DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The drawing shows a block diagram of an
advertising link between consumers and the discount administration
process.
      the Internet (13)
      pp; 49 DwgNo 1/3
Derwent Class: T01
International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/60

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX
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012308430   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 1999-114536/199910
   Goods **inventory method for warehouse - involves producing stocktaking
 information containing identification information and** inventory
  location **of** goods **on which electronic tag is attached**
Patent Assignee: HITACHI LTD (HITA)
Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001
Patent Family:
Patent No   Kind   Date   Applicat No   Kind   Date   Week
JP 10338312   A   19981222 JP 97148921   A   19970606 199910 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 97148921 A 19970606
Patent Details:
Patent No Kind Lan Pg   Main IPC   Filing Notes
JP 10338312   A   19 B65G-001/137

Abstract (Basic): JP 10338312 A
      NOVELTY - A stocktaking information containing an identifying
information and the **inventory**   location of **goods** on which an
electronic tag is attached, is produced. The **inventory**   location of
the electronic tag (70) is extracted based on distance between the
electronic tag reader (60) and the electronic tag. DETAILED DESCRIPTION
- An area in the installed electronic tag reader from a specific
distance range is defined as an **inventory**   location showing the
specific storage area in a warehouse. The **electronic** tag reader scans
the identification information **stored** in the **electronic** tag.
      USE - For warehouse.
      ADVANTAGE - Position of inventory **goods** can be obtained easily.
DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the schematic diagram of
inventory apparatus.
      Dwg.1/14
Derwent Class: Q35; T01
International Patent Class (Main): B65G-001/137
International Patent Class (Additional): G06F-019/00

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX
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010353848   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 1995-255162/199533
 Communication system for product **information display in retail sales
 establishment - uses hard-wired grid to connect store computer to
 transceivers located in zones throughout store and price display shelf**

tags
Patent Assignee: GOFF M L (GOFF-I); REST MFG INC (REST-N); EASI ELECTRONIC
    ADVERTISING SOLUTIONS (EASI-N)
Inventor: ABELL P; BIRD E F; DETEMPLE W C; GOFF M L; BIRD E
Number of Countries: 047 Number of Patents: 005
Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week	
WO 9519005	A1	19950713	WO 94US6308	A	19940606	199533	B
AU 9472040	A	19950801	AU 9472040	A	19940606	199546	
US 5572653	A	19961105	US 89352553	A	19890516	199650	
			US 89427896	A	19891024		
			US 91753004	A	19910823		
			US 9383389	A	19930628		
			US 94176781	A	19940104		
EP 753175	A1	19970115	EP 94921240	A	19940606	199708	
			WO 94US6308	A	19940606		
US 5995015	A	19991130	US 89352553	A	19890516	200003	
			US 89427896	A	19891024		
			US 91753004	A	19910823		
			US 9383389	A	19930628		
			US 94176781	A	19940104		
			US 96740859	A	19961104		

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 94176781 A 19940104; US 89352553 A
    19890516; US 89427896 A 19891024; US 91753004 A 19910823; US 9383389 A
    19930628; US 96740859 A 19961104
Cited Patents: 04 76629500; 04 88272400; 04 88870900; 5287266
Patent Details:

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WO 9519005	A1	E	22	G06F-015/20	

    Designated States (National): AU BB BG BR CA CN CZ FI HU JP KP KR LK LV
    MG MN NO NZ PL RO SK UA US UZ VN
    Designated States (Regional): AT BE BY CH DE DK ES FR GB GR IE IT KZ LI
    LU MC MW NL PT RU SD SE

US 5995015	A			G06F-017/60	CIP of application US 89352553
					Cont of application US 89427896
					Cont of application US 91753004
					CIP of application US 9383389
					Cont of application US 94176781
					Cont of patent US 5572653
AU 9472040	A			G06F-015/20	Based on patent WO 9519005
US 5572653	A		14	G06F-015/00	CIP of application US 89352553
					Cont of application US 89427896
					Cont of application US 91753004
					CIP of application US 9383389
EP 753175	A1	E	22	G06F-017/00	Based on patent WO 9519005

    Designated States (Regional): AT BE CH DE DK ES FR GB GR IE IT LI LU MC
    NL PT SE

Abstract (Basic): WO 9519005 A
        A communication system comprises a central store computer, a grid
    of infrared terminals, a coupling device, a number of movable remote
    infrared terminals and first and second transmitters. The grid of
    infrared terminals have different fields of view distributed above a
    retail sales establishment, collectively, to cover the establishment.
    The coupling device hard-wire connects the computer to the grid. An
    infrared link, with the grid terminals, is formed by the movable remote
    infrared terminals distributed throughout the establishment.
        The first transmitter is used between the remote terminals and the
    grid terminals infrared signals includes a first address field
    containing addresses unique to each remote terminal. The second
    transmitter is used between the grid terminals and the computer via the
    hard-wire coupling device and includes the first field address field
    and the second address field containing addresses unique to each grid
    terminal.
        USE/ADVANTAGE - Electronic information display and **item** tracking
    system for tracking the position of shopping trolley's, price
    displaying, advertising, etc..

Abstract (Equivalent): US 5572653 A

An inproved energy efficient, **electronic   merchandise** price display system having at least two levels of sequential addressability for a retail store having a plurality of point-of-purchase (POP) **locations** at which **items** of **merchandise** are **available** for purchase, the system comprising:

a plurality of individually addressable battery powered electronic price information display tags mounted at the respective locations, said display tags being normally maintained at a first low power mode and being temporarily switchable to a second high power mode in response to receipt of an infrared signal,

a store platform computer for coordinating price, **product** , and location data at the retail store;

a plurality of point-of-sale (POS) terminals linked to the computer;

a plurality of individually addressable infrared transmitters having different fields of view distributed above the store collectively to cover the store, each infrared transmitter having a unique address assigned thereto, wherein the number of transmitters is less than the number of display tags and each transmitter communicates with a plurality of display tags;

hardwired means for coupling the computer to the transmitters to transmit from the computer to the transmitters a signal having a first field in which an address assigned to one of the transmitters is stored and a second field in which price information and a tag address are stored;

means for controlling one of the transmitters to selectively transmit an infrared signal containing the second field to the tags responsive to the transmitter address in the first address field so only the transmitter designated by the address in the first field transmits the infrared signal;

means responsive to the receipt of the infrared signal to temporarily switch selected ones of said display tags to said second high power mode, and means at one of the display tags for displaying the price information from the second field responsive to the tag address in the second field.

(Dwg.4/7

Derwent Class: T01; T04; T05
International Patent Class (Main): G06F-015/00; G06F-015/20; G06F-017/00; G06F-017/60

DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX

013653436   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2001-137648/200114
    Product **features** comparison **for** electronic   commerce **transaction,
security services, involves determining hierarchy of features of** items
**selected by user using user profile and displaying items on priority
basis**
Patent Assignee: ANDERSEN CONSULTING LLP (ANDE-N)
Inventor: BARRESE J J; GUHEEN M F; MITCHELL J D
Number of Countries: 092 Number of Patents: 002
Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week	
WO 200073958	A2	20001207	WO 2000US14459	A	20000524	200114	B
AU 200050458	A	20001218	AU 200050458	A	20000524	200118	

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 99320818 A 19990527
Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
WO 200073958	A2	E	501	G06F-017/60	

    Designated States (National): AE AG AL AM AT AU AZ BA BB BG BR BY CA CH
    CN CR CU CZ DE DK DM DZ EE ES FI GB GD GE GH GM HR HU ID IL IN IS JP KE
    KG KP KR KZ LC LK LR LS LT LU LV MA MD MG MK MN MW MX MZ NO NZ PL PT RO
    RU SD SE SG SI SK SL TJ TM TR TT TZ UA UG UZ VN YU ZA ZW
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    IE IT KE LS LU MC MW MZ NL OA PT SD SE SL SZ TZ UG ZW
AU 200050458 A   G06F-017/60   Based on patent WO 200073958

Abstract (Basic): WO 200073958 A2
        NOVELTY - User profile is developed and items such as
    product/service for purchase are displayed. User is allowed to select a
    set of similar items manufactured by competing business entities, which
    are compared to determine the set features of similar items. The
    hierarchy of features are determined using user profile and the items
    are displayed in a prioritized manner.
        DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the
    following:
        (a) computer program for virtual comparison of shopping
    transaction;
        (b) system for virtual comparison of shopping transaction
        USE - For electronic commerce transaction, security service,
    commerce, data services, etc.
        ADVANTAGE - Since the similar items such as product/service
    manufactured by competing business entities are displayed in priority
    basis with respect to their features, information about the item is
    optimally conveyed to the customer, thereby providing more effective
    virtual shopping experience.
        DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure is a flowchart showing
    various multiple coding methods for conveying various information
    relating to system.
        pp; 501 DwgNo 1A/36
Derwent Class: T01; T05
International Patent Class (Main): **G06F-017/60**

DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX

013310611   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2000-482548/200042
    Product **selection assistance method for** online   shopping **using**
   Internet, **involves** comparing   product **description and customer
expectation data to select optimum data relevant to customers need**
Patent Assignee: INT BUSINESS MACHINES CORP (IBMC)
Inventor: FACCIORUSSO C; FIELD S; HOFFNER Y; ROBINSON M R

Number of Countries: 021 Number of Patents: 001
Patent Family:
Patent No   Kind   Date   Applicat No   Kind   Date   Week
WO 200038090   A1   20000629 WO 99IB1613   A   19991001 200042 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): EP 98124191 A 19981221
Patent Details:
Patent No Kind Lan Pg   Main IPC   Filing Notes
WO 200038090 A1 E 27 G06F-017/60
    Designated States (National): JP KR US
    Designated States (Regional): AT BE CH CY DE DK ES FI FR GB GR IE IT LU
    MC NL PT SE

Abstract (Basic): WO 200038090 A1
        NOVELTY - The product descriptions relevant to the each trader is
    produced. The expectation data relevant to each product explaining the
    customer desires is produced according to the available descriptions.
    Both product descriptions and expectations data are compared mutually
    to select optimum description satisfying the needs of customer
    approximately.
        DETAILED DESCRIPTION - The customers analysis data representing the
    priority of products chosen by the customer relevant to the product
    trader is used. The set analysis data and product description is
    compared to extract optimum product details. The execution speed or
    cost is computed based on the set parameters relevant to the product
    service conditions. The database relevant to customer and trader is
    executed using CORBA trading object service standard language. An
    INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for product selection assistance
    apparatus.
        USE - For providing assistance to customer in online shopping using
    Internet.
        ADVANTAGE - Enables establishing reliable communication between
    customers and product traders, thereby facilitates supply of product
    relevant to the customers needs.
        DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the schematic view of
    product selection assistance system.
        pp; 27 DwgNo 1/1
Derwent Class: T01
International Patent Class (Main): **G06F-017/60**

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX
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013254792   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2000-426675/200037
 **Goods selling assistance procedure for online shopping using internet,
 involves classifying customers based on goods purchasing details and
 accordingly stored data is accessed**
Patent Assignee: KAWATETSU JOHO SYSTEM KK (KAWA-N)
Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001
Patent Family:
Patent No   Kind   Date   Applicat No   Kind   Date   Week
JP 2000148848 A   20000530 JP 98318232   A   19981110 200037 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 98318232 A 19981110
Patent Details:
Patent No Kind Lan Pg   Main IPC   Filing Notes
JP 2000148848 A   7 G06F-017/60

Abstract (Basic): JP 2000148848 A
        NOVELTY - The goods purchasing details of each customer is
    acquired, based on which the customers are classified relevant to
    common **goods** with differing sales conditions. The classified data is
    forwarded to the **server** (3). The **stored** data is accessed based on
    the purchasing detail and **compared** relevant to **goods** , for
    recognizing the customers.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for
the goods selling assistance system.
    USE - For online shopping using internet.
    ADVANTAGE - Increases selling performance with reduced selling
expenses, by acquiring the purchase details correctly.
    DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the block diagram of
the goods selling assistance system.
    Server (3)
    pp; 7 DwgNo 1/3
Derwent Class: T01; T05
International Patent Class (Main): **G06F-017/60**
International Patent Class (Additional): G07G-001/14

17/7/4   (Item 4 from file: 350)
DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX
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013010933   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 2000-182785/200016
 Computer-implemented on-line price   comparison **over computer** network
 by decreasing price **of** item **sold by** vendor **by given amount to**
 create new price if competitor's price is less than item price
Patent Assignee: CENDANT PUBLISHING INC (CEND-N)
Inventor: STACK C
Number of Countries: 087 Number of Patents: 004
Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week	
WO 200005666	A1	20000203	WO 99US12153	A	19990603	200016	B
AU 9943260	A	20000214	AU 9943260	A	19990603	200029	
US 6076070	A	20000613	US 98121094	A	19980723	200035	
EP 1105827	A1	20010613	EP 99963133	A	19990603	200134	
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Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 98121094 A 19980723
Patent Details:
Patent No Kind Lan Pg   Main IPC   Filing Notes
WO 200005666 A1 E   27 G06F-017/60
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    SL TJ TM TR TT UA UG UZ VN YU ZA ZW
    Designated States (Regional): AT BE CH CY DE DK EA ES FI FR GB GH GM GR
    IE IT KE LS LU MC MW NL OA PT SD SE SL SZ UG ZW
AU 9943260   A   G06F-017/60   Based on patent WO 200005666
US 6076070   A   G06F-017/60
EP 1105827   A1 E   G06F-017/60   Based on patent WO 200005666
    Designated States (Regional): AT BE CH CY DE DK ES FI FR GB GR IE IT LI
    LU MC NL PT SE

Abstract (Basic): WO 200005666 A1
    NOVELTY - A price for an item sold by the competitor over the
computer network may be requested through the computer network (520)
from a competitor's database for receiving the competitor's price,
which is displayed. The price of the item sold by the vendor is
decreased by a set amount to create a new price if the competitor's
price is less than the item price followed by displaying the new price
on the display.
    DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is included for:
    (a) an apparatus for performing computer implemented on-line **price**
 comparison over a computer **network** of **goods** and/or services sold
by **vendor** with those competitors
    USE - For computer implemented method for on-line comparison of
competitors prices and automatic price reduction, over a distributed
computer network such as the Internets World Wide Web.
    ADVANTAGE - Customer can initiate the price comparison in which the
item price can be reduced if a competitor's price is lower. The price
reduction is performed only if the competitor's price is not below a

set minimum threshold.
DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The drawing shows an embodiment of
apparatus on which the method can be implemented.
computer network (520)
pp; 27 DwgNo 5/5
Derwent Class: T01; T05; W01
International Patent Class (Main): **G06F-017/60**

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX
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011950637   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 1998-367547/199832
 **Shopping support system for internet - notifies purchased articles to
 file server by which user is enabled to delete purchased articles from
 purchasing schedule article list**
Patent Assignee: TOKYO ELECTRIC CO LTD (TODK)
Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001
Patent Family:
Patent No   Kind   Date   Applicat No   Kind   Date   Week
JP 10143563   A   19980529 JP 96295151   A   19961107 199832 B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): JP 96295151 A 19961107
Patent Details:
Patent No Kind Lan Pg   Main IPC   Filing Notes
JP 10143563   A   13 G06F-017/60

Abstract (Basic): JP 10143563 A
       The system has several user terminals (1), a file server (2) and a
    LAN (5) connected through internet (4). The LAN comprises a store data
    server (3) and several output terminals (6). The user inputs purchase
    schedule goods information through the user terminal. The information
    is stored in the file server as a purchasing schedule article file of
    the user.
       The user goes to the store and inputs his ID code into the output
    terminal using the ID code, the purchasing schedule article list is
    searched from the file **server** by the **store   server** . Out of the
    goods , the **goods** sold by the store are **compared** and a **goods**
    purchasing article list is prepared by the **store   server** . The
    purchasing article list is output through the output terminal. The
    purchased articles are notified to the file server and the user is
    enabled to delete the purchased articles from the purchasing schedule
    article list.
       ADVANTAGE - Assists customers to purchase all intended goods
    without forgetting.
       Dwg.1/21
Derwent Class: T01; T05
International Patent Class (Main): **G06F-017/60**
International Patent Class (Additional): G07G-001/14

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX
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011921426   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 1998-338336/199830
 Commercial transaction method using virtual space - involves comparing
 3-D data of goods **selected from** catalogue **database of computer for**
  store **with** virtual **space in computer**
Patent Assignee: OIMATSU SANGYO YG (OIMA-N)
Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001
Patent Family:
Patent No   Kind   Date   Applicat No   Kind   Date   Week
JP 10124574   A   19980515 JP 96273391   A   19961016 199830 B

Abstract (Basic): JP 10124574 A
        The method involves storing individual database concerning with
    possession article of a buyer or 3-D data of the body in a computer (1)
    for buyer. A catalogue database concerning with 3-D data of the goods
    of a store is stored in a computer (6). A specific possession article
    or 3-D data of the body is then selected from the individual database
    of the computer for buyer. The 3-D data of goods is selected from
    catalogue database of computer for store.
        The selected goods is compared to the virtual space in the
    computer. The compatibility quality, conformity of selected possession
    article, the goods and body for purchase is then judged individually.
        ADVANTAGE - Judges compatibility or conformity of possession
    article. Offers inexpensive goods to user effectively. Helps user for
    purchasing high quality goods.
        Dwg.4/26
Derwent Class: T01
International Patent Class (Main): **G06F-017/60**

17/7/7   (Item 1 from file: 347)

05690556   **Image available**
ELECTRONIC CATALOG DEVICE

ABSTRACT
PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide out of stock information on individual
merchandise, its material, etc., at the time of selecting them and to
eliminate the selection of the out of stock merchandise by a consumer so as
to prevent confusion by confirming the presence or absence of the
merchandise and permitting the merchandise confirmed as out of stock not to
be displayed as a selection candidate at the time of selecting the
merchandise.

SOLUTION: An electronic catelogue device 10 is constituted by connecting
ROM 30, a display device 40, RAM 50, a selecting device 60 and an external
storage device 70 to CPU 20 which controls a whole system. When an access
is given from the electronic catalague device 10 or at need, a host
computer 80 transmits presence or absence information of the **merchandise**
 to the **electronic   catalogue** device 10. Thus, presence or absence of
the **merchandise** displayed on the **merchandise** selecting screen is
 compared with a list indicating stock information of the merchandise and
the merchandise number and the merchandise selecting button of the
merchandise recognized as out of stock are not displayed in the screen.
Therefore, the comsumer is prevented from selecting the out of stock
merchandise.

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX
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012408284   **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 1999-214392/199918
 Automated issuance method of redeemable data in on-line transactions
Patent Assignee: KHOSLA V (KHOS-I)
Inventor: KHOSLA V
Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001
Patent Family:

Patent No	Kind	Date	Applicat No	Kind	Date	Week	
US 5884277	A	19990316	US 95431831	A	19950501	199918	B

Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 95431831 A 19950501
Patent Details:

Patent No	Kind	Lan	Pg	Main IPC	Filing Notes
US 5884277	A		9	G06F-017/60	

Abstract (Basic): US 5884277 A
      NOVELTY - A data processing system receives and verifies payment
information through a public network, from a purchaser for selected
goods or services. The encrypted redeemable data containing information
sufficient to be redeemed for goods or services, is generated and sent
to the purchaser at the non- secure terminal through the public
network.
      DETAILED DESCRIPTION - A data processing system receives purchaser
login data identifying the purchaser from a public network. The
identified purchaser is provided a gateway in the processing system to
tools for selecting goods or services for purchase. The payment
information from the purchaser is received and verified. The redeemable
data having a portion encrypted, is sent to the purchaser.
      USE - In on-line transactions for enabling purchaser at non-secure
terminals to purchase goods or services such as airline tickets.
      ADVANTAGE - Improves **availability** of services provided through
public networks, particularly the **availability** of airline reservation
systems by eliminating the need for third party travel agents. Allows
purchaser at non-secure terminal to print a coupon which can be
redeemed for air travel thus simplifying process of obtaining airline
tickets **on -line** . Enables **catalog** service where user can take the
printed coupon and **pick -up** purchased **goods** or use purchased
services at a later time, rather than relying upon the catalog service
provider to ship the goods to the user.
      DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the flow chart
illustrating the processing and the host system for issuing coupons to
purchasers at non-secure terminals.
      pp; 9 DwgNo 3/4
Derwent Class: T01; T05
International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/60

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DIALOG(R)File 347:JAPIO
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06341323   **Image available**
MERCHANDISE SALES SYSTEM

PUB. NO.:   11-282927 [JP 11282927 A]
PUBLISHED: October 15, 1999 (19991015)
INVENTOR(s):   KUJIRADA MASANOBU
APPLICANT(s): KUJIRADA MASANOBU
APPL. NO.:   11-029300 [JP 9929300]
FILED: February 05, 1999 (19990205)
PRIORITY: 08278678 [JP 96278678], JP (Japan), September 29, 1996
               (19960929)
               08352033 [JP 96352033], JP (Japan), December 10, 1996
               (19961210)

ABSTRACT

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To sell a merchandise manufactured for only one item and the merchandise small **in** **stock** even to users on a communication **network** .

SOLUTION: This **merchandise** sales system on a computer **network** is provided with a camera 51 for **picking** **up** the images of the **products** 2, 3 and 4 displayed inside a shop, a transmission part for transmitting video from the camera 51 to the user, notifying means 12-14 attached to the surfaces of the merchandises 2, 3 and 4 inside the shop purchasable by the user or arranged near the merchandises for reporting that 'the merchandise is already sold' to a customer or a shop clerk inside the shop and a control means for controlling the notifying means so as to report that 'the merchandise is already sold' to the customer or the shop clerk inside the shop when the user specifies a certain product (certain specified merchandise) in the video and transmits the message that he/she wants to purchase it and it is received. Also, not only video information inside the shop but also sound information such as audio and speech inside the shop is transmitted to the user.

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DIALOG(R)File 347:JAPIO
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06212720   **Image available**
REAL TIME **INVENTORY** CONTROL SYSTEM

PUB. NO.:   11-154280 [JP 11154280 A]
PUBLISHED: June 08, 1999 (19990608)
INVENTOR(s):   IZAWA TSUTOMU
               MIYAMOTO KOJI
               HANEDA YOSHIAKI
APPLICANT(s): FUJITSU GENERAL LTD
APPL. NO.:   09-319378 [JP 97319378]
FILED: November 20, 1997 (19971120)

ABSTRACT

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To construct an **inventory** control system which is used for sales by each **store** **server** performing intra-stock collation for a sales object product which is inputted by a POS terminal and performing collation of headquarter stock in real time at the time of none of stock in the store.

SOLUTION: When products do not exist at a selling cite, store **inventory** collating part 22 collates the existence of corresponding product stock and its quantity by an **inventory** master 41. When the quantity that is needed is secured, a stock reserving part 24 performs sales **reserving** of **goods** **in** **stock** , registers them on a reserving master 42 and also performs such reserving processing at to reduce stock quantity from the master 41. Where there is no stock, a sending data producing part 32 produces sending data that is necessary to send and sends it to a headquarters server via a communication controlling part 31. When a confirmation result that stock exists from the headquarter **server** , an other **store** stock reserving part 25 sends a sales reserving request for headquarter stock to a real updating part 30. The part 30 requests the headquarter server for reserving processing of stock and also registers it on the master 42.

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File 348:EUROPEAN PATENT    978-2001/Jun W03
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File 349:PCT Fulltext 1983-2001/UB=20010614, UT=20010531
        (c) 2001 WIPO/MicroPat

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S1    450878    PRODUCT? ? OR GOODS OR ITEM? ? OR MERCHANDISE
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S3     69140    INVENTORY OR INVENTORIES OR IN()STOCK OR AVAILABILITY OR A-
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                TORE()(BASED OR LEVEL) OR OFFLINE OR OFF()LINE)
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                OR MERCHANDIS? OR VENDOR? OR SELLER? OR COMMERCE
S6     39403    S5(7N)(ONLINE OR ON()LINE OR INTERNET OR INTRANET OR EXTRA-
                NET OR BROWSER? OR SERVER? ? OR WEB OR WEBSITE? OR WEBPAGE? OR
                NETWORK? OR ELECTRONIC? OR DIGITAL? OR VIRTUAL OR CYBER) OR -
                ECOMMERCE OR E()COMMERCE
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DIALOG(R)File 348:EUROPEAN PATENTS
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00696020
A method in distributing products from suppliers to customers
Verfahren zur Verteilung von Produkten von Lieferanten an Kunden
Methode pour la distribution de produits des fournisseurs vers les clients
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    4188, 203 13 Malmo, (SE)
PATENT (CC, No, Kind, Date): EP 663654 A1 950719 (Basic)
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APPLICATION (CC, No, Date):   EP 93850218 931116;
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DESIGNATED STATES: AT; BE; CH; DE; DK; ES; FR; GB; GR; IE; IT; LI; LU; MC;
  NL; PT; SE
INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: G07F-007/00; G07G-001/00; **G06F-017/60**
ABSTRACT EP 663654 A1

    A method in distributing products from suppliers to retail shops for
    sale to customers. Each retailer (13) is provided with a register of
    available products with an order number indicated for each article and
    this register is distributed to the retailers. The retailer uses the
    order number for ordering products from a distributor (11), and the
    ordered products are delivered to the retailer from the distributor or
    from producers or wholesalers (16, 17). The products are stored in the
    retailer's shop and the sales price of each product is indicated at the
    place where the product is exposed to the customer. The EAN code for each
    product is stored in a cash register computer in the retailer's shop
    together with the associated sales price of the product, the EAN bar code
    is read into the computer from the product or the package of the product
    when the product is sold to a customer, and a sales slip is produced from
    the computer. (see image in original document)
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CLAIMS B	(German)	9708W5	456
CLAIMS B	(French)	9708W5	484

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...SPECIFICATION the related product are mentioned.
   Labels 19 are mounted by the retailer at the spaces **reserved** for the
respective **products** in the retailer's shop. In case the labels have
been delivered to a producer...

...the order number bar code in column 35 of the register, FIG. 3. The
information **stored** in the reader is forwarded **online** to distributor
11 who effects the delivery of the goods ordered either directly from the
...

...by the retailer and is supplied to the computer manually over a
keyboard. The delivered **products** are placed in the spaces **reserved**
for the respective **products** in the retail shop, with the sales price of
the product written by the retailer in field 27 as well as the
comparative **price** written in field 28. No price labels are attached to
the packages but each **product** or package is provided with the EAN bar
code identifying the **product** .
   A customer that wants to buy a package takes this package from the
space where...

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**TECHNOLOGY SHARING DURING ASSET MANAGEMENT AND ASSET TRACKING IN A
   NETWORK-BASED SUPPLY CHAIN ENVIRONMENT AND METHOD THEREOF**
**PARTAGE TECHNOLOGIQUE LORS DE LA GESTION ET DU SUIVI DU PARC INFORMATIQUE
   DANS UN ENVIRONNEMENT DU TYPE CHAINE D'APPROVISIONNEMENT RESEAUTEE, ET
   PROCEDE ASSOCIE**
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English Abstract
  A system, method, and article of manufacture are disclosed that controls

the network and manage resources for managing network assets through
asset tracking in an e-Commerce-based supply chain framework. Features
include automatically caching web content, providing proxy services,
managing load balancing such as spreading tasks among servers and
rerouting data around problems. The capability to reroute data around
problems includes indentifying and automatically bypassing an unavailable
network object. Additional features may include a capability to enable
remote access and providing integrated firewall services. The remote
access capabilities include enabling a high density modem pool and
providing a remote access point. The integrated firewall services on the
network includes storing and reporting firewall functions and firewall
attacks.

French Abstract
  L'invention concerne un systeme, un procede, et un article manufacture
  permettant de commander le reseau et d'en gerer les ressources de maniere
  a gerer le parc informatique par le suivi des ressources dans un cadre du
  type chaine d'approvisionnement basee sur le commerce electronique. Parmi
  les fonctions qu'offre le systeme de l'invention figurent : la mise en
  memoire cache automatique des contenus Web, l'offre de services proxy, la
  gestion de l'equilibrage des charges, notamment la repartition des taches
  entre serveurs et le re-routage des donnees en cas de probleme. Cette
  fonction de re-routage des donnees en cas de probleme assure
  l'identification et le contournement automatique d'un objet reseau non
  disponible. Parmi les autres fonctions, notons la possibilite de
  permettre un acces a distance et l'offre de services pare-feu integres.
  Les fonctions d'acces a distance passent par l'activation d'un groupe de
  modems haute densite et la creation d'un point d'acces a distance. Les
  services pare-feu integres du reseau gerent le stockage et la
  signalisation des fonctions pare-feu et des attaques au niveau des
  pare-feu.

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Detailed Description
... 20 such as call accounting and voice messaging functionality. As these
  features have become widely **available** in **local** telecommunications
  equipment, such as private branch exchange (PBX) telephone switches,
  central offices, key and hybrid...to site integration, rapid integration
  of acquisition, duplication reduction, procurement rationalization,
  transportation rationalization, and reduced **inventories** . In this
  illustrative embodiment, the Installation Management component may also
  include the following benefits to...
...include the following: rapid integration of acquisition, duplication
  reduction, distribution facility rationalization, procurement
  rationalization, reduced **inventories** , and manufacturing capacity
  utilization. Further, benefits for the manufacturer under the Demand and
  Supply Planning...use low earth orbiting satellites (LEOS) to build a new
  access as well as backbone **network** infrastructure. The earlier version
  of these **networks** were built using traditional PSTN service model,
  hence they lack the bandwidth scalability for data...event is received at
  an element manager that is deemed critical to display to a **network**
  user, the inforination services manager will 117 **store** a copy of the
  alarm in the operational database and then forward the alarm to...for
  response by the user.

  The pertinent answers are then immediately provided to the sponsor/
  vendor . The **Internet** Entry **Server** then "hot-links" the customer to
  the sponsor/vendor's hitemet domain or Home Page for a mandatory "guided
  tour" where the user is exposed to any current **product** promotion by the
  sponsor/vendor and can download promotional coupons, **product**

information, etc. After this mandatory guided tour is completed, the customer is allowed to enter queries for help in installing or using the sponsor/vendor's **product** . As an optional promotional service, upon termination of the on-line help session, access to...given content model (such as distribution of entertainment on CD-ROM, content delivery from an **Internet** repository, or **electronic** **catalog** **shopping** and advertising, or some combination of the 35 above) participants would be able to securely...a metering history of their licensing of properties might be required to maintain this information.

COMMERCE -RELATED **WEB** APPLICATION SERVICES
One embodiment of the present invention, as shown in Figure 54, is provided for affording a combination of **commerce** -related **web** application services. Various features are included such as allowing purchase of **products** and services via a displayed **catalog** in operation 5400. As an option, a **virtual** **shopping** cart environment may be provided. Further, in operations 5402 and 5404, data, i.e. specifications, details, etc., relating to the **products** and services are displayed along with a comparison between different **products** and services. Data relating to needs of a user may also be received for the purpose of outputting a recommendation of the **products** and services based on the inputted needs. See operation 5406. Optionally, features of the **products** and services may be selected in operation 5408 based on user profile in order to configure a specifically tailored **product** or service. Alternatively, features of the **products** and services may be listed in order to allow the user to configure a specifically tailored **product** or service.

Operation 5410 allows one or more of the products or services to be... communication and encryption techniques.

WAF's fundamental configurability will allow a broad range of competitive **electronic** **commerce** business models to flourish. It allows business models to be shaped to maximize revenues sources, end-user **product** value, and operating efficiencies. WAF can be employed to support multiple, differing models, take advantage of new revenue opportunities, and deliver **product** configurations most desired by users. **Electronic** **commerce** technologies that do not, as the present invention does:

support a broad range of possible...set) Creates personal catalog Referring to operation 5400 of Figure 54, one embodiment of the **electronic** **commerce** component of the present invention is provided for allowing purchase of **products** and services via a display catalog. The display catalog may display linkable pictures, such as visual representations of **products** for sale. The display catalog may also display linkable text which could represent a **product** or family of **products** , as well as services offered. Other linkable text or pictures could be implemented to provide...and currency Accessible easily throughout catalog As shown in Figure 55, one embodiment of the **electronic** **commerce** component of the present invention is provided for facilitating a **virtual** **shopping** transaction. First, a plurality of **items** , i.e. **products** or services, are selected from a database and displayed for purchase in operation 5500.

Preferably, the items are displayed in an **electronic** **catalog** format. Next, in operation 5502, a user is allowed to select a predetermined set of the **items** for purchase. For example, each of the **items** could include a liked picture or text, which a user would then simply click on with a mouse pointer to select the **items** . Other options include scrollable menus, etc. In operation 5504, a payment is then accepted in exchange for the predeten-nined set of **items** . Such predetermined set of **items** is then stored in operation 5506, thereby allowing the user to collectively select the predetermined set of **items** at a later time without having to select each of the **items** individually.

Note operation 5508. The selected items are preferably stored in a database unique to...

...of items may be accepted in any one of a plurality of currencies such as
electronic and foreign.
Recently, an **online** **shopping** system which allows examination,
selection and order of **items** through a computer has been put into
practice. In such an **online** **shopping** system, in order to supplement a
disadvantage by a gap from ordinary **shopping** caused by the use of
electronic means such as not capable of directly touching the **item** and
not capable of getting ...shopping basket used in a shop such as
supen-narket is proposed. In this function, **items** on the **online**
shopping are temporarily added to a purchase list and a process of order
and purchase is conducted when all **items** to be purchased are registered
on the list, as **items** to be purchased in the supermarket are once put
into a shopping basket and lastly...

...a counter. In this manner, by preparing the purchase list to order a
plurality of **items** one time, a time required to purchase may be
substantially saved. Further, the consumer may prevent the failure of
shopping and stop the purchase of unnecessary **items** by checking the
list once before the purchase. Further, because of feel of easiness that
the **items** once added on the purchase list may be finally changed in any
way before the...

...the items is made later except a portion of items which can be
downloaded as **digital** data and the **shopping** is not completed until
the **items** are received and the account is settled.

As one of methods for proving the shopping...

...display page as a catalog which the consumer watches as it is realized
in the **online** **shopping** system mainly on the World Wide **Web** . As
another method of proving the **shopping** basket, there is a method for
separately displaying an **item** catalog area and a shopping basket area.
Such a function is used in the shopping...providing the shopping basket
function is provided as a separate shopping basket window from a **catalog**
window on which **online** **shop** **item** data is displayed. The **shopping**
basket window is displayed on the catalog window and a display position
is moved in linkage with the movement of a mouse pointer. The shopping
basket includes a list of **items** to be purchased which is a main body of
the shopping basket, a function to add the **item** data to the list, and a
function to change the **item** data registered in the list. In one
embodiment of the present invention, the shopping basket...the host
computer track inventory of the articles to enable restocking of the
respective storage **locations** when detecting **inventory** below a certain
level.

In accordance with a specific embodiment of the invention, a quick...

Claim
... current bid prices. Interested buyers can place a bid online and see
how their bid **price** **compares** with others. The auctions are time based
and follow a detailed bidding process. As customers...

...are notified via email and have the option to reply with a counter bid.
Packaged **eCommerce** Software In relation to packaged **eCommerce**
Software, the eCaf framework provides a basis for understanding and
assessing the capabilities of the **eCommerce** packages.

If a package is used to implement part of the eCommerce solution, an
analysis...site in an attempt to gather information about products,
availability and prices. For example, an **Internet** **shopper** may use a '
shopping agent' to submit a request for a particular ...any needed
information, and prepares a report for the user including detailed
product information, product **comparisons** , and **pricing** lists. From the
site selling **goods** , the agent may be viewed as in inbound customer.

In essence, an agent is both...

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**SCHEDULING AND PLANNING BEFORE AND PROACTIVE MANAGEMENT DURING MAINTENANCE
    AND SERVICE IN A NETWORK-BASED SUPPLY CHAIN ENVIRONMENT**
**PROGRAMMATION ET PLANIFICATION ANTICIPEE, ET GESTION PROACTIVE AU COURS DE
    LA MAINTENANCE ET DE L'ENTRETIEN D'UN ENVIRONNEMENT DU TYPE CHAINE
    D'APPROVISIONNEMENT RESEAUTEE**
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English Abstract
  A system, method and article of manufacturer are provided for proactive
  management during maintenance and service in a network-based supply chain
  environment. Telephone calls, data and other multimedia information are
  routed through a network which includes transfer of information across
  the internet utilizing telephony routing information and internet
  protocol address information. The network includes a Proactive Threshold
  Manager which forewarns service providers of an impending breach of
  contact. The Proactive Threshold Manager sends an alarm to the service
  provider when the current level of service will miss a service level
  agreement to maintain a certain level of service.

French Abstract
  L'invention concerne un systeme, un procede, et un article manufacture de
  gestion proactive mis en oeuvre au cours de la maintenance et de
  l'entretien d'un environnement du type chaine d'approvisionnement
  reseautee. Les appels telephoniques, les donnees et autres informations
  multimedia sont routes via un reseau assurant le transfert des
  informations via Internet au moyen d'informations de routage telephonique
  et d'informations d'adresse de protocole Internet. Ledit reseau comprend
  un gestionnaire de seuil proactif qui avertit a l'avance les fournisseurs
  d'une rupture de contrat imminente. Ledit gestionnaire de seuil proactif
  envoie une alarme au fournisseur de services lorsque le niveau de service
  du moment n'atteint plus le niveau de service determine dans le contrat
  en termes de maintien d'un certain niveau de service.

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Detailed Description
... embodiment of the present invention may include the following:

 duplication reduction, distribution facility rationalization, reduced
 inventories , and manufacturing capacity utilization.

 With regards to the Order Management component for this illustrative
 embodiment...facilitating the collaborative capacity planning. In yet a
 further embodiment of the present invention, reverse **inventory** 10
 management may be conducted between the at least one, service provider
 and the at...New CORE capabilities such as 300Kilobits of access
 bandwidth to deliver infori-nation to hand-**held** wireless devices. The
 potential of such capabilities coupled with the traditional strengths of
 wireless communications...embodiment of the present invention. The
 Service Quality Management Process 1304 supports monitoring service or
 product quality on a service class basis in order to determine:

 Whether service levels are being met consistently Whether there are any
 general problems with the service or **product** Whether the sale and ...
 event is received at an element manager that is deemed critical to
 display to a **network** user, the information services manager will **store**
 a copy of the alarm in the operational database and then forward the
 alarm to...for response by the user.

 The pertinent answers are then immediately provided to the sponsor/
 vendor . The **Internet** Entry **Server** then "hot-links" the customer to
 the sponsor/**vendor** 's **Internet** domain or Home Page for a mandatory
 "guided tour" where the user is exposed to any current **product**
 promotion by the sponsor/vendor and can download promotional coupons,
 product infori nation, etc. After this mandatory guided tour is
 completed, the customer is allowed to enter queries for help in
 installing or using the sponsor/vendor's **product** . As an optional
 promotional service, upon termination of the on-line help session, access
 to...136 content model (such as distribution of entertainment on CD-ROM,
 content delivery from an **Internet** repository, or **electronic** **catalog**
 shopping and advertising, or some combination of the above)
 participants would be able to securely select...metering history of their
 licensing of properties might be required to maintain this infori-nation.

 COMMERCE -RELATED **WEB** APPLICATION SERVICES
 One embodiment of the present invention, as shown in Figure 54, is
 provided for affording a combination of **commerce** -related **web**
 application services. Various features are included such as allowing
 purchase of **products** and services via a displayed **catalog** in
 operation 5400. As an option, a **virtual** **shopping** cart environment may
 be provided. Further, in operations 5402 and 5404, data, i.e.
 specifications, details, etc., relating to the **products** and services
 are displayed along with a comparison between different **products** and
 services. Data relating to needs of a user may also be received for the
 purpose of outputting a recommendation of the **products** and services
 based on the inputted needs. See operation 5406. Optionally, features of
 the **products** and services may be selected in operation 5408 based on
 user profile in order to configure a specifically tailored **product** or
 service. Alternatively, features of the **products** and services may be
 listed in order to allow the user to configure a specifically tailored
 product or service.

 Operation 5410 allows one or more of the products or services to be...
 communication and encryption techniques.

 WAF's fundamental configurability will allow a broad range of competitive
 electronic **commerce** business models to flourish. It allows business
 models to be shaped to maximize revenues sources, end-user **product**

value, and operating e●ciencies. WAY can be employed ●support multiple, differing models, take advantage of new revenue opportunities, and deliver **product** configurations most desired by users. **Electronic commerce** technologies that do not, as the present invention does:

support a broad range of possible...set) Creates personal catalog Refeming to operation 5400 of Figure 54, one embodiment of the **electronic commerce** component of the present invention is provided for allowing purchase of **products** and services via a display catalog. The display catalog may display linkable pictures, such as visual representations of **products** for sale. The display catalog may also display linkable text which could represent a **product** or family of **products** , as well as services offered. Other linkable text or pictures could be implemented to provide...and currency Accessible easily throughout catalog As shown in Figure 55, one embodiment of the **electronic commerce** component of the present invention is provided for facilitating a **virtual shopping** transaction. First, a plurality of **items** , i.e. **products** or services, are selected from a database and displayed for purchase in operation 5500. Preferably, the **items** are displayed in an **electronic catalog** format. Next, in operation 5502, a user is allowed to select a predetermined set of the **items** for purchase. For example, each of the **items** could include a liked picture or text, which a user would then simply click on with a mouse pointer to select the **items** . Other options include scrollable menus, etc. In operation 5504, a payment is then accepted in exchange for the predetermined set of **items** . Such predetermined set of **items** is then stored in operation 5506, thereby allowing the user to collectively select the predetermined set of **items** at a later time without having to select each of the **items** individually. Note operation 5508. The selected **items** are preferably stored in a database unique to the user. The set of **items** selected during each shopping session should be stored in a separate listing or file so that the user can individually select particular sets of **items** .

Optionally, the user may be allowed to name each stored set of items for easier...

...of items may be accepted in any one of a plurality of currencies such as **electronic** and foreign.

Recently, an **online shopping** system which allows examination, selection and order of **items** through a computer has been put into practice. In such an **online shopping** system, in order to supplement a disadvantage by a gap ftom ordinary **shopping** caused by the use of **electronic** means such as not capable of directly touching the **item** and not capable of getting assistance of a real salesman, various devices for a user...

...with shopping basket used in a shop such as supermarket is proposed. In this function, **items** on the **online shopping** are temporarily added to a purchase list and a process of order and purchase is conducted when all **items** to be purchased are registered on the list, as **items** to be purchased in the supermarket are once put into a shopping basket and lastly...

...counter. In this manner, by preparing the 15 purchase list to order a plurality of **items** one time, a time required to purchase may be substantially saved. Further, the consumer may prevent the failure of shopping and stop the purchase of unnecessary **items** by checking the list once before the purchase. Further, because of feel of easiness that the **items** once added on the purchase list may be finally changed in any way before the...

...the items is made later except a portion of items which can be downloaded as **digital** data and the **shopping** is not completed until the items are received and the account is settled.

As one...

...used in the shopping system provided by a CD-ROM.

A main stage of the **online shopping** is an **item catalog** screen on which information on the **items** is provided. The consumer examines the **item** on the screen and if he or she likes it, he or she takes it...he or she examines the content of the shopping basket as required to check the **item** scheduled to purchase and the pay amount of the **items** . Accordingly, it is not necessary to always display the purchase list on the screen, but the functions to access to the shopping basket for taking in the **items** and to display the contents should be available to the consumer any time during the...

...preparing the contents. It may be good that the user interface is uniform in one **online shop** but when it is applied across a plurality of **online shops** of various **items** and scales, free design cannot be conducted. This forces to the user a specific environment...providing the shopping basket function is provided as a separate shopping basket window from a **catalog** window on which **online shop item** data is displayed. The **shopping** basket window is displayed on the catalog window and a display position is moved in linkage with the movement of a mouse pointer. The shopping basket includes a list of **items** to be purchased which is a main body of the shopping basket, a function to add the **item** data to the list, and a function to change the **item** data registered in the list. In one embodiment of the present invention, the shopping basket...the host computer track inventory of the articles to enable restocking of the respective storage **locations** when detecting **inventory** below a certain level.

In accordance with a specific embodiment of the invention, a quick...

Claim
... current bid prices. Interested buyers can place a bid online and see how their bid **price compares** with others. The auctions are time based and follow a detailed bidding process. As customers...

...are notified via email and have the option to reply with a counter bid. Packaged **eCommerce** Software In relation to packaged **eCommerce** Software, the eCaf framework provides a basis for understanding and assessing the capabilities of the **eCommerce** packages.

If a package is used to implement part of the eCommerce solution, an analysis...site in an attempt to gather information about products, availability and prices. For example, an **Internet shopper** may use a ' **shopping** agent' to submit a request for a particular product. The shopping agent determines which sites...

...needed infon-nation, and prepares a report for the user including detailed product information, product **comparisons** , and **pricing** lists. From the site selling **goods** , the agent may be viewed as in inbound customer.
In essence, an agent is both...

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NETWORK AND LIFE CYCLE ASSET MANAGEMENT IN AN E-COMMERCE ENVIRONMENT AND METHOD THEREOF
GESTION D'ACTIFS DURANT LE CYCLE DE VIE ET EN RESEAU DANS UN ENVIRONNEMENT DE COMMERCE ELECTRONIQUE ET PROCEDE ASSOCIE
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English Abstract
A system, method and article of manufacture are provided for asset
management in a network-based supply chain. Utilizing a network,
information is received information from at least one service provider.
This information includes information relating to present network assets
of the service provider. Information is also received utilizing the
network from at least one manufacturer. The information from the
manufacturers includes information relating to present network assets of
the manufacturers. A determination is made for optimal network assets
needed for the service provider and manufacturer based on the present
network assets of service provider and the manufacturer. Based on this
determination, the optimizing of the network assets is managed.

French Abstract
L'invention concerne un systeme, un procede et un article de fabrication
destines a la gestion d'actifs dans une chaine d'approvisionnement en
reseau. Ce dernier permet de recevoir des informations provenant d'au
moins un prestataire de services. Ces informations renferment des
elements d'information se rapportant aux actifs actuels en reseau dudit
prestataire. Elles sont egalement recues par le biais du reseau en
provenance d'au moins un fabricant. Les informations des fabricants
comportent des elements d'information se rapportant aux actifs actuels en
reseau des fabricants. On determine les actifs en reseau optimaux
necessaires au prestataire de services et au fabricant sur la base des
actifs actuels en reseau desdits prestataire de services et fabricant.
Cette determination permet de gerer l'optimisation des actifs en reseau.

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Detailed Description
... to site integration, rapid integration of acquisition, duplication
reduction, procurement rationalization, transportation rationalization,
and reduced **inventories** . In this illustrative embodiment, the
Installation Management component may also include the following benefits
to the manufacturer: duplication reduction, procurement rationalization,
transportation rationalization, and reduced **inventories** .

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With continuing reference to Figure 4, in this illustrative embodiment of the present invention...

...include the following: rapid integration of acquisition, duplication reduction, distribution facility rationalization, procurement rationalization, reduced **inventories** , and manufacturing capacity utilization. Further, benefits for the manufacturer under the Demand and Supply Planning...
...embodiment of the present invention may include the following:

duplication reduction, distribution facility rationalization, reduced **inventories** , and manufacturing capacity utilization.

With regards to ...back to-back M 13 multiplexers used in asynchronous multiplexing.

Because of the large bandwidth **availability** in fiber, and the growing volume of data traffic, disruptions from link and node failures... facilitating the collaborative capacity planning. In yet a further embodiment of the present invention, reverse **inventory** management may be conducted between the at least one service provider and the at least ...based "NGN" described above. The emergence of "New Core" signals the retirement of legacy PSTN **network** infrastructure. The traditional PSTN may never get removed from the public network, it may continue...

...government agencies (AMTRAY, model). But for the purposes for business and technical innovation, traditional PSTN **network** will largely become irrelevant.

As the PSTN based access methods go away, entirely 11? based...point to multi-point communications. The end users either share an antenna connected to a **digital** receiver which is connected to. a channel bank. The application server be it voice (PBX...

...of the wire-line "NGN" that provide IP telephony to wire-line IP devices.

The **digital** **network** segment that interfaces with the "NGN" comprises of a coaxial cable local loop which is...event is received at an element manager that is deemed critical to display to a **network** user, the information services manager will 116 **store** a copy of the alarm in the operational database and then forward the alarm to...for response by the user.

The pertinent answers are then immediately provided to the sponsor/ **vendor** . The **Internet** Entry **Server** then "hot-links" the customer to the sponsor/**vendor** 's **Internet** domain or Home Page for a mandatory "guided tour" where the user is exposed to any current **product** promotion by the sponsor/vendor and can download promotional coupons, **product** information, etc. After this mandatory guided tour is completed, the customer is allowed to enter queries for help in installing or using the sponsor/vendor's **product** . As an ...given content model (such as distribution of entertainment on CD-ROM, content delivery from an **Internet** repository, or **electronic** **catalog** **shopping** and advertising, or some combination of the above) participants would be able to securely select...a metering history of their licensing of properties might be required to maintain this information.

COMMERCE -RELATED **WEB** APPLICATION SERVICES
to
One embodiment of the present invention, as shown in Figure 54, is provided for affording a combination of **commerce** -related **web** application services. Various features are included such as allowing purchase of **products** and services via a displayed **catalog** in operation 5400. As an option, a **virtual** **shopping** cart environment may be provided. Further, in operations 5402 and 5404, data, i.e. specifications, details, etc., relating to the **products** and services are displayed along with a comparison between different **products** and

services. Data relating to needs of a user may also be received for the purpose of outputting a recommendation of the **products** and services based on the inputted needs. See operation 5406. Optionally, features of the **products** and services may be selected in operation 5408 based on user profile in order to configure a 0 specifically tailored **product** or service. Alternatively, features of the **products** and services may be listed in order to allow the user to configure a specifically tailored **product** or service.

Operation 5410 allows one or more of the products or services to be... communication and encryption techniques.

WAF's fundamental configurability will allow a broad range of competitive **electronic commerce** business models to flourish. It allows business models to be shaped to maximize revenues sources, end-user **product** value, and operating efficiencies. WAF can be employed to support multiple, differing models, take advantage of new revenue opportunities, and deliver **product** configurations most desired by users. **Electronic commerce** technologies that do not, as the present invention does:

support a broad range of possible...

...set) Creates personal catalog Refeming to operation 5400 of Figure 54, one embodiment of the **electronic commerce** to component of the present invention is provided for allowing purchase of **products** and services via a display catalog. The display catalog may display linkable pictures, such as visual representations of **products** for sale. The display catalog may also display linkable text which could represent a **product** or family of **products** , as well as services offered. Other linkable text or pictures could be implemented to provide...and currency Accessible easily throughout catalog As shown in Figure 55, one embodiment of the **electronic commerce** component of the present invention is provided for facilitating a **virtual shopping** transaction. First, a plurality of **items** , i.e. **products** or services, are selected from a database and displayed for purchase in operation 5500.

Preferably, the items are displayed in an **electronic catalog** format. Next, in operation 5502, a user is allowed to select a predetermined set of the **items** for purchase. For example, each of the **items** could include a liked picture or text, which a user would then simply click on with a mouse pointer to select the **items** . Other options include scrollable menus, etc. In operation 5504, a payment is then accepted in exchange for the predetermined set of **items** . Such predetermined set of **items** is then stored in operation 5506, thereby allowing the user to collectively select the predetermined set of **items** at a later time without having to select each of the **items** individually.

Note operation 5508. The selected items are preferably ...of items may be accepted in any one of a plurality of currencies such as **electronic** and foreign. 15 Recently, an **online shopping** system which allows examination, selection and order of **items** through a computer has been put into practice. In such an **online shopping** system, in order to supplement a disadvantage by a gap from ordinary **shopping** caused by the use of **electronic** means such as not capable of directly touching the **item** and not capable of getting assistance of a 20 real salesman, various devices for a...

...with shopping basket used in a shop such as supermarket is proposed. In this function, **items** on the **online shopping** are temporarily added to a purchase list and a process of order and purchase is conducted when all **items** to be purchased are registered on the list, as **items** to be purchased in the supermarket are once put into 25 a shopping basket and ...

...a counter. In this manner, by preparing the purchase list to order a plurality of **items** one time, a time required to purchase may be substantially saved. Further, the consumer may prevent the failure of shopping and stop the purchase of unnecessary **items** by checking the

list once before the purchase. Further, because of feel of easiness that
the **items** once added on the purchase list may be finally changed in any
way 30 before...

...a shopping basket main body (purchase list) and a function for taking in
and out **items** for the shopping basket. As functions associated 35 with
the shopping basket, there are a function to take the **items** into the
shopping basket (add to the purchase list), a tunction to check the
contents of the shopping oaSKet (display the purchase list), a function
to return the **item** in the shopping basket (change the purchase list)
and a function to purchase the **items** in the shopping basket. However,
for the function to purchase the **items** , only the order is accepted
because the delivery of the **items** is made later except a portion of
items which can be downloaded as **digital** data and the **shopping** is
not completed until the **items** are received and the account is settled.

As one of methods for proving the shopping...

...display page as a catalog which the consumer watches as it is realized
in the **online** **shopping** system mainly on the World Wide **Web** . As
another method of proving the **shopping** basket, there is a method for
separately displaying an **item** catalog area and a shopping basket area.
Such a ftinction is used in the shopping system provided by a CD-ROM.

A main stage of the **online** **shopping** is an **item** **catalog** screen on
which information on the **items** is provided. The consumer examines the
item on the screen and if he or she likes it, he or she takes it...

...he or she examines the content of the shopping basket as required to
check the **item** scheduled to purchase and the pay amount of the **items** .
Accordingly, it is not necessary to always display the purchase list on
the screen, but...providing the shopping basket function is provided as a
separate shopping basket window from a **catalog** window on which **online**
shop **item** data is displayed. The **shopping** basket window is
displayed on the catalog window and a display position is moved in
linkage with the movement of a mouse pointer. The shopping basket
includes a list of **items** to be purchased which is a main body of the
shopping basket, a function to add the **item** data to the list, and a
finiction to change the **item** data registered in the list. In one
embodiment of the present invention, the shopping basket...the host
computer track inventory of the articles to enable restocking of the
respective storage **locations** when detecting **inventory** below a certain
level.

In accordance with a specific embodiment of the invention, a quick...

Claim
... purchasing products and/or services through a website. As part of the
purchase transaction or **product** registration, the user defines the
products and services which the user currently possesses or purchases...
current bid prices. Interested buyers can place a bid online and see how
their bid **price** **compares** with others. The auctions are time based and
follow a detailed bidding process. As customers...

...are notified via email and have the option to reply with a counter bid.
Packaged **eCommerce** Software In relation to packaged **eCommerce**
Software, the eCaf framework provides a basis for understanding and
assessing the capabilities of the **eCommerce** packages. If a package is
used to implement part of the **eCommerce** solution, an analysis of its
underlying technology and business requirements with respect to the
Netcentric...A multitude of different packages are emerging usually with
the name sounding something similar to **'eCommerce** Server.' Each package
may boast to be different in the problem it is addressing, the...

...wishing to transact on the Internet. It is currently very difficult to
differentiate between the **products** . The eCAF provides a basis for
understanding and assessing the capabilities of existing **eCommerce**
packages as well as those emerging. 30 The current **eCommerce** software
packages can be classified in the following categories:

eCommerce Toolset This category would includes...site in an attempt to
gather information about products, availability and prices. For example,
an **Internet shopper** may use a **'shopping** agent' to submit a request
for a particular product. The shopping agent determines which sites...

...any needed information, and prepares a report for the user including
detailed product information, product **comparisons** , and **pricing** lists.
From the site selling **goods** , the agent may be viewed as in inbound
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COLLABORATIVE CAPACITY PLANNING AND REVERSE INVENTORY MANAGEMENT DURING
    DEMAND AND SUPPLY PLANNING IN A NETWORK-BASED SUPPLY CHAIN ENVIRONMENT
    AND METHOD THEREOF
PLANIFICATION EN COLLABORATION DES CAPACITES ET GESTION ANTICIPEE DES
    STOCKS LORS DE LA PLANIFICATION DE L'OFFRE ET DE LA DEMANDE DANS UN
    ENVIRONNEMENT DE CHAINE D'APPROVISIONNEMENT FONDEE SUR LE RESEAU ET
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  A system, method and article of manufacture are provided for
  collaborative capacity planning during demand and supply planning in a
  network-based supply chain. Data access is provided from multiple
  simultaneous data sources utilizing a network for demand and supply
  planning in a network-based supply chain having at least one service
  provider and at least one manufacturer. Capacity data is stored utilizing
  the network.

French Abstract
  On decrit un systeme, un procede et un article manufacture qui permettent
  d'effectuer la planification en collaboration des capacites lors de la
  planification de l'offre et de la demande dans une chaine
  d'approvisionnement fondee sur le reseau. L'acces aux donnees provient
  d'une pluralite de sources de donnees simultanees auxquelles on accede
  par un reseau en vue d'effectuer la planification de l'offre et de la

demande dans une chaine d'approvisionnement fondee sur le reseau comprenant au moins un fournisseur de service et au moins un fabricant. Des donnees de capacite sont stockees au moyen du reseau.

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... facilitating the collaborative capacity planning. In yet a further
   embodiment of the present invention, reverse **inventory** management may
   be conducted between the at least one service provider and the at least
   ...host c omputer track inventory of the articles to enable restocking of
   the respective storage **locations** when detecting **inventory** below a
   certain level.

   In accordance with a specific embodiment of the invention, a quick...

Claim
... current bid prices. Interested buyers can place a bid online and see
   how their bid **price** **compares** with others. The auctions are time based
   and follow a detailed bidding process. As customers...

...are notified via email and have the option to reply with a counter bid.
   Packaged **eCommerce** Software In relation to packaged **eCommerce**
   Software, the eCaf framework provides a basis for understanding and
   assessing the capabilities of the **eCommerce** packages.

   If a package is used to implement part of the eCommerce solution, an
   analysis...site in an attempt to gather information about products,
   availability and prices. For example, an **Internet**   **shopper** may use a '
 shopping agent' to submit a request for a particular product. The
   shopping agent determines which sitesand prepares a report for the user
   including detailed product information, product **comparisons** , and
 pricing lists. From the site selling **goods** , the agent may be viewed as
   in inbound customer.

   In essence, an agent is both...

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**METHOD FOR AFFORDING A MARKET SPACE INTERFACE BETWEEN A PLURALITY OF
   MANUFACTURERS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS AND INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT VIA A
   MARKET SPACE INTERFACE**
PROCEDE DE MISE A DISPOSITION D'UNE INTERFACE D'ESPACE DE MARCHE ENTRE UNE
   PLURALITE DE FABRICANTS ET DES FOURNISSEURS DE SERVICES ET GESTION
   D'UNE INSTALLATION VIA UNE INTERFACE D'ESPACE DE MARCHE
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English Abstract
  A system, method and article of manufacture are provided for affording a
  network-based supply chain framework. Installation of a service is
  managed utilizing a network. Demand and supply of manufacturer offerings
  are planned utilizing the network and orders for the manufacturer
  offerings are also managed utilizing the network. The network is also
  utilized to manage network assets including providing maintenance and
  service for the network assets utilizing the network.

French Abstract
  On decrit un systeme, un procede et un article manufacture qui
  constituent une structure de chaine d'approvisionnement fondee sur le
  reseau. L'installation d'un service est geree au moyen d'un reseau. La
  demande et l'approvisionnement des offres de fabricant sont planifies au
  moyen du reseau et les commandes relatives aux offres du fabricant sont
  egalement gerees au moyen du reseau. Le reseau est egalement utilise pour
  gerer les actifs sur le reseau, y compris pour effectuer la maintenance
  et le service pour les actifs de reseau au moyen du reseau.

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Detailed Description
... include the following benefits to the manufacturer: duplication
  reduction, procurement rationalization, transportation rationalization,
  and reduced **inventories** .

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  With continuing reference to Figure 4, in this illustrative embodiment of
  the present invention...cumbersome. This intelligent network architecture
  addresses these issues efficiently with mechanisms that make remote data
  available   locally for the duration of a session and then caches the
  information in short 62 term...and New CORE capabilities such as
  300Kilobits of access bandwidth to deliver information to hand-**held**
  wireless devices. The potential of such capabilities coupled with the
  traditional strengths of wireless communications...the host computer
  track inventory of the articles to enable restocking of the respective
  storage **locations** when detecting **inventory** below a certain level.

  In accordance with a specific embodiment of the invention, a quick...

Claim
... current bid prices. Interested buyers can place a bid online and see
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  and follow a detailed bidding process. As customers...

...are notified via email and have the option to reply with a counter bid.

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availability and prices, For example, an **Internet** **shopper** may use a '
shopping agent' to submit a request for a particular product. The
shopping agent determines which sites...

...any needed information, and prepares a report for the user including
detailed product information, product **comparisons** , and **pricing** lists.
From the site selling **goods** , the agent may be viewed

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SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR RETAIL PRICE INFORMATION
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English Abstract
  A consumer needing to **compare** **prices** among more than one retailer can
  access a central system of **product** -related information for a variety of
  products available from a plurality of retailers. In addition to
  identifying **products** of interest, the consumer can then specify other
  parameters such as preferences relating to particular retailers and
  geographical convenience. Based on the specifications provided by the
  consumer, matching information from the stored **product** information is
  then presented to the consumer so that a comparison can be made by the
  consumer among all the retailers selling a particular **product** . A
  consumer can then, using the central system, complete an **on -line**
  purchase transaction with one of the **sellers** .

French Abstract
  Un consommateur desireux de comparer les prix pratiques par differents
  detaillants peut acceder a un systeme central d'informations relatives
  aux produits pour divers produits proposes par une pluralite de

detaillants. Pour iden●ier les produits qui l'interes●t le
consommateur peut ensuite specifier d'autres parametres tels que des
preferences portant sur des detaillants particuliers et une zone
geographique preferee pour son cote pratique. A partir des
caracteristiques specifiees par l'utilisateur, des informations
correspondantes issues des informations de produits memorisees sont
ensuite presentees au consommateur pour que ce dernier puisse effectuer
une comparaison entre les detaillants qui vendent un produit particulier.
Un consommateur peut ensuite, au moyen du systeme central, realiser une
transaction d'achat en ligne avec un des vendeurs.

English Abstract
 A consumer needing to **compare   prices** among more than one retailer can
 access a central system of **product** -related information for a variety of
 products available from a plurality of retailers. In addition to
 identifying **products** of interest, the consumer can then specify other
 parameters such as preferences relating to particular...

 ...geographical convenience. Based on the specifications provided by the
 consumer, matching information from the stored **product** information is
 then presented to the consumer so that a comparison can be made by the
 consumer among all the retailers selling a particular **product** . A
 consumer can then, using the central system, complete an **on -line**
 purchase transaction with one of the **sellers** .

Detailed Description
 ...   106, with various consumers 110 who are interested in accessing the
 stored retail data for **comparison   pricing** and other functions.
 Network connection 106 is preferably the Internet but may comprise other
 kinds...
 ...recognition or by touch-tone key commands), or a touch-screen terminal.
 In addition, an **e -commerce** gateway 112 connected to **network** 104 to
 allow consumers 110 to order **products** from the retailers 108.

 OPERATIONAL OVERVIEW
 FIG. 1 B is a flowchart depicting the operation...information has been
 updated to the central site 102, consumers 110 who want to perform
 pricing   comparisons among retailers 108 can access the central site
 102 via a network connection 106 and...

 ...enter the criteria for the comparisons in which the consumer is
 interested. Upon receiving the **comparative   pricing** data from the
 central site 102, the consumer 110 can then feel confident about making
 ...

 ...and can now make a purchasing decision, certain embodiments of the
 present invention include an **e -commerce** gateway 112 connected to the
 Internet 104 that allows the consumer 110 to order **products** and
 product delivery right from the retailers 108 through the central site
 102.

 At block 122, consumers...the products delivered by the retailer,
 delivered by a third party shipper, or held for **pick -up** . The list of
 products as well as account information provided by the consumer 110 is
 then forwarded to the...Thus, the consumer 110 can print the list and
 walk through the store and conveniently **pick   up** the **items** on the
 shopping in order, without having to scan the list multiple times in
 every...

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UNIVERSAL ONLINE SHOPPING LIST
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English Abstract
  The present invention provides a system for e-commerce which provides the
  user the ability (1) to create a universal online shopping list that is
  portable so that user may take it to any retailer's site and (2) to make
  online purchase of items on a universal list from multiple retailers
  without having to revisit the retailer's sites for placing a buy order or
  updating merchandise information. The system also allows monitoring and
  storing the user's navigational and clicking record while acting as a
  proxy for the user's access of retailers' sites. After opening an
  account, the user accesses the site of the intermediary to create a
  universal online shopping list of merchandise for purchase. Through the
  intermediary's proxy server, the user is presented with a screen that
  comprises a first frame that displays the retailer's site and a second
  frame that displays actionable icons and/or buttons in accordance with
  functions and features offered by the proxy server. The user can navigate
  the retailer's site much in the same way that she would if she had
  directly accessed the retailer's site as opposed to accessing it through
  a proxy server. To execute a purchase from the list, the user visits the
  intermediary site and selects the desired items, by simply click on a buy
  icon that initiates and completes the placement of purchase orders with
  all the merchants involved. In another embodiment, wireless devices may
  be implemented to interface with the intermediary server via a wireless
  network.

French Abstract
  La presente invention concerne un systeme de commerce electronique qui

offre a l'utilisatrice ● possibilite (1) de creer une ●te
d'approvisionnement en ligne universelle. Cette liste est portable de
sorte que l'utilisatrice peut l'emporter sur n'importe quel site de
detaillant. Ce systeme permet egalement (2) d'acheter en ligne des
articles figurant sur une liste universelle aupres de multiples
detaillants sans avoir a revisiter les sites de ces detaillants pour
passer une commande ou pour mettre a jour des informations relatives a
des marchandises. Ce systeme permet encore de surveiller et de stocker
les enregistrements des clics et de la navigation de l'utilisatrice tout
en agissant comme un mandataire pour l'acces de cette utilisatrice aux
sites des detaillants. Apres avoir ouvert un compte, l'utilisatrice
accede au site de l'intermediaire de facon a creer une liste
d'approvisionnement en ligne universelle de marchandises a acheter. On
presente a l'utilisatrice via le serveur mandataire de cet intermediaire
un ecran qui comprend un premier cadre qui affiche le site du detaillant,
et un second cadre qui affiche des icones sur lesquelles on peut cliquer
et/ou des boutons correspondants aux fonctions et aux caracteristiques
offertes par ce serveur mandataire. L'utilisatrice peut naviguer sur le
site du detaillant d'une facon tres comparable a la navigation qu'elle
aurait effectuee si elle avait accede au site du detaillant directement
et non pas via un serveur mandataire. Pour effectuer un achat de la
liste, l'utilisatrice visite le site de l'intermediaire et selectionne
les articles desires en cliquant simplement sur une icone d'achat qui
lance et effectue completement le passage des commandes avec tous les
commercants concernes. Dans un autre mode de realisation de l'invention,
des dispositifs radio peuvent etre mis en oeuvre de facon a servir
d'interface avec le serveur intermediaire via un reseau radio.

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Detailed Description
... a to-do list. For example, a wedding coordinator may compile a list of
    action **items** , such as: order wedding cake, **reserve** banquet room,
    arrange chapel, appointment with priest, etc. Each item on the list is
    linked...of existing lists and the creation of new ones. For example,
    when users access the **web** based SNAZ **Commerce** Solution, they are
    presented with a list of their lists and may choose one from the list.
    They can then select a product from the list and request a **price**
  comparison , or request a **price** refresh for all **items** in that list.
    If users wish to build new lists, the engine prompts for a...Cached
    Merchant Pages and Searches
    The SNAZ Commerce Solution keeps a dynamic cache of viewed **merchant** 's
  web pages and uses this combined with cached search,results to provide
    the **price**   **comparison** functionality. The code scans each page looking
    for fixed types of information, such as **product** descriptions and price
    information, that can reasonably be expected to remain static in relation
    to the web site templates in which they are rendered. It then searches
    for **product** information in specific positions relative to those fixed
  items and records that information in the database.

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  When a user accesses a merchant...

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  METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR REALIZING PERSONALIZED INFORMATION FROM MULTIPLE
    INFORMATION SOURCES
  PROCEDE ET APPAREIL PERMETTANT DE REALISER LE TRAITEMENT PERSONNALISE

D'INFORMATIONS PROVEN■■ DE DIVERSES SOURCES D'INFORMA■■NS

English Abstract
  A system for a meta-browser includes a receiver, an output device for
  displaying a virtual unified browsing space, and a selector input device
  for navigating the space and making selections therein. The receiver is
  provided with the capability to receive information from multiple sources
  of different media types, including broadcast programming, additional
  information through the broadcast, electronic program guide information,
  and the Internet. The meta-browser presents personalized collections of
  information from multiple sources of different media types as different
  media collections in the unified browsing space, which can be easily and
  intuitively browsed. A user's browsing experience is further enhanced by
  personalized recommendations, which are generated based on a profile of
  the user's interests captured across multiple media sources.
  Collaborative filtering, which uses multiple user profiles to compute
  co-relations between the user's profile and others, is also used to make
  recommendations. The unified browsing space is also searchable.

French Abstract
  L'invention concerne un systeme pour un meta-navigateur, comprenant un
  destinataire, un peripherique de sortie permettant l'affichage d'un
  espace de navigation unifie virtuel, et un dispositif d'entree de
  selection permettant de naviguer dans l'espace et d'effectuer des
  selections dans ce meme espace. Le destinataire peut recevoir des
  informations provenant de diverses sources d'informations de divers types
  de medias, y compris la programmation d'une emission, des informations
  supplementaires transmises par l'emission, des informations de guide de
  programme electronique, et Internet. Ce meta-navigateur presente des
  recueils personnalises d'informations provenant de multiples sources de
  divers types de medias, y compris divers recueils de medias compris dans
  l'espace de navigation unifie, lesquels recueils peuvent etre facilement
  et intuitivement visualises en mode fenetre. La navigation d'un
  utilisateur est amelioree grace a des recommandations personnalisees,
  produites sur la base du profil des interets dudit utilisateur collecte
  grace aux multiples sources de medias. Un filtrage cooperatif utilisant
  les multiples profils utilisateurs pour calculer les correlations entre
  les profils utilisateurs et les autres, est egalement utilise pour faire
  des recommandations. L'espace de navigation unifie est egalement
  consultable.

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Detailed Description
... touchscreen, or by selecting the item by number on a remote control
  touchscreen or hand **held** unit.

  Once the **item** is selected, the user is presented with more information
  on the item. For example, if...

  ...the same book displays an options list. An illustrative options list
  includes, for example, an **e commerce** option that permits the user to
  price -compare and purchase the book using conventional Internet tools;
  an email or chat option, which permits...

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**SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR IDENTIFYING, STORING AND RETRIEVING INFORMATION ON
  PURCHASE ITEMS**
**SYSTEMES ET PROCEDES PERMETTANT D'IDENTIFIER, DE STOCKER ET D'EXTRAIRE DES
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English Abstract
Systems and methods allow consumers (102) to bookmark items that they are
interested in purchasing. Advantageously, consumers (102) can bookmark
items from a plurality of different manufacturers (106) and on-line
retailers (104, 112) in one convenient location. By bookmarking items,
consumers (102) can be notified of any change in the status of the items,
such as goods that are being discontinued, and can be notified of any
special deal relating to the items. Consumers (102) can also designate
when the items should be purchased as well as when the items should ship,
both of which can occur at a future date. Consumers (102) can also set up
their own "MyPage" and indicate their interests. The consumer information
gathered from bookmarked items and the "MyPage" is invaluable to
retailers (104, 112), manufacturers (106), publishers (108), and
advertisers (110). The retailers (104, 112), manufacturers (106),
publishers (108), and advertisers (110) can push incentives to the
consumers (102) through the bookmarked items as well as through the
"MyPage". These incentives may relate to the bookmarked items themselves,
to comparable items, or to related items.

French Abstract
L'invention concerne des systemes et des procedes permettant aux
consommateurs (102) de mettre en signet des articles qu'ils
souhaiteraient acheter. Dans un mode de realisation avantageux, les
consommateurs (102) peuvent mettre en signet une multitude d'entreprises
(106) et de revendeurs en ligne (104, 112) dans un seul emplacement
pratique. Le fait de mettre en signet les articles, permet aux
consommateurs (102) d'etre avertis de toute modification de l'etat des
articles comme, par exemple, les articles dont la production est
abandonnee, et d'etre avertis de toute offre speciale concernant ces
articles. Les consommateurs (102) peuvent egalement indiquer la date
d'achat des produits ainsi que la date d'expedition, ces deux dates
pouvant differees. Les consommateurs (102) peuvent egalement creer leur
page personnelle et indiquer leurs centres d'interets. Les informations
relatives aux consommateurs qui sont rassemblees a partir des articles
mis en signet et de la page personnelle presente une grande valeur pour
les revendeurs (104, 112), les entreprises (106), les diffuseurs (108) et
les annonceurs (110), car ils peuvent inciter les consommateurs (102) a
travers les articles mis en signet et la page personnelle. Ces
incitations peuvent etre liees aux articles mis en signet eux-memes, a
des articles similaires ou a des articles associes.

Detailed Description
...   deliver 5 gifts to the consumer from the "Wish List."

    Despite its usefulness and popularity, **on -line   shopping** has several
    major limitations. For instance, conventional **on -line   shopping** does
    not effectively enable comparison **shopping** . A consumer that desires to
    compare   prices for specific **products** may waste valuable time and
    effort locating desired on-line retailers among the multitude of...

...have to spend the time and effort to locate the specific golf clubs
    within each **web** site. Therefore, because **on -line   shopping**
    requires additional effort to comparison **shop** , a consumer may decide
    not to shop for better bargains or may even decide not to **shop   on
    line** at all.

    Another limitation of many conventional on-line shopping is that a
    consumer generally...check of inventory to ensure that "Will Call" is

possible and to determine when the **item** may be **picked** up by the
consumer 102.
VIII. WEB SITE SUPPORTED BY SYSTEM
As described above, the system...

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**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AN ELECTRONIC MARKETPLACE FOR SERVICES HAVING A
   COLLABORATIVE WORKSPACE**
**PROCEDE   ET APPAREIL DESTINES A UN MARCHE ELECTRONIQUE DE SERVICES
   PRESENTANT UN ESPACE DE TRAVAIL COLLECTIF**
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English Abstract
   A method and system for buying and selling services online includes a
   process for custom services, a commodity process and a collaborative
   workspace on a website (102). The process for custom services includes
   the posting by a buyer (104) of specific criteria for a desired service,
   the bidding by a seller (106) to perform the service, and the selection
   of a seller by the buyer. The commodity process includes the posting by a
   seller of a service offering, the posting by the buyer of requirements
   for the purchase of the service offering, and the purchase of a service
   offering by the buyer. The commodity process may also include an
   optimization process that provides the buyer with an optimized list of
   service offerings. The collaborative workspace includes communication
   tools (302), a file structure (304), workbenches (306) and project
   management tools (308) used by the buyer and seller for facilitating the
   setup, development and release of one or more services.

French Abstract
   La presente invention concerne un procede et un systeme permettant
   d'acheter et de vendre des services en ligne comprenant un processus de
   services personnalises, un processus de marchandises, et un espace de
   travail collectif sur un site Web (102). Le processus de services
   personnalises consiste en ce que: un acheteur (104) annonce des criteres
   specifiques pour un service voulu, un vendeur (106) propose une offre

pour executer le servi● et l'acheteur selectionne un ●deur. Le
processus de marchandises consiste en ce que: un vendeur annonce une
offre de services, l'acheteur determine les conditions de l'achat de
l'offre de services, et l'acheteur achete l'offre de services. Le
processus de marchandises peut egalement comprendre un processus
d'optimisation qui fournit a l'acheteur une liste optimisee d'offres de
services. L'espace de travail collectif comprend des outils de
communication (302), une structure de fichiers (304), des tables (306) et
des outils de gestion de projets (308) utilises par l'acheteur et le
vendeur pour faciliter la configuration, le developpement et le
degagement d'un ou de plusieurs services.

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Detailed Description
... services providers have traditionally been time consuming, inefficient
   and costly for the buyer of services.

   Online marketplaces for physical **goods** have successfully aggregated
   vendors and enabled customers to **compare**   **prices** and make such
   purchases more efficiently. In contrast to online marketplaces for
   physical **goods** , however, online marketplaces for services are
   significantly more complex because each service is performed on a custom
   order basis and each end **product** is unique. The process of creating and
   delivering a service is more critical than with most **products** , as the
   buyer and seller of services must work collaboratively to define the
   parameters of the project and develop a finished **product** that meets the
   specifications of the buyer. In addition, unlike in **product**
   marketplaces, the lowest cost provider of services does not necessarily
   win the project because the service provider's work **product** , reputation
   and delivery date.

   The fragmentation of the traditional market for services both online and
   ...the workspace 300. The buyer then coordinates with the seller
   regarding payment for the services, **picks**   **up** 1212 the released
 product from the workspace 300, and signs off. The seller can also
   develop the project on...

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**SUPPLEMENTAL OFFERS WHEREIN A BUYER TAKES POSSESSION AT A RETAILER OF A
   PRIMARY PRODUCT PURCHASED THROUGH A PURCHASING SYSTEM**
OFFRES SUPPLEMENTAIRES PERMETTANT A UN ACHETEUR DE PRENDRE POSSESSION CHEZ
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English Abstract
  Supplemental offers are provided wherein a buyer takes possession of a
  primary product at a retailer. A purchasing system arranges through a
  communication network for a buyer to purchase a primary product from a
  seller. The purchasing system also generates primary product redemption
  information enabling the buyer to take possession of the primary product
  and supplemental offer information associated with a supplemental offer.
  The supplemental offer may be based, at least in part, on the purchase of
  the primary product by the buyer.

French Abstract
  L'invention concerne des offres supplementaires permettant a un acheteur
  de prendre possession chez un detaillant d'un produit primaire. Un
  systeme d'achat permet, au moyen d'un reseau de communication, a un
  acheteur d'acheter un produit primaire a un vendeur. Le systeme d'achat
  produit egalement des informations sur le rachat des produits primaires
  permettant a l'acheteur de prendre possession du produit primaire, ainsi
  que des informations sur les offres supplementaires associees a une offre
  supplementaire. L'offre supplementaire peut se fonder, au moins en
  partie, sur l'achat du produit primaire par l'acheteur.

Detailed Description
... from the comfort of home at any time of day or night.

  Another advantage of **online   shopping** is that **pricing   comparisons**
  are more efficient. For example, a Web service can compile prices from
  various sources (e.g., **Web   merchants** and/or retail **stores** that are
  not **online**) for various **products** . This lets a buyer easily find and
  select, for example, a retail store that offers the lowest price for a
  product . Although this will save a buyer time, only regular retail
  prices (which the buyer would...

  ...price infon--nation becomes more accessible, buyers are growing more
  price sensitive and demand that **products** be sold at lower prices.

Having a product shipp...to a buyer, which is the...a se...er (e.g., a
product manufacturer or a retailer) before taking possession of, or "
picking **up** ," the **product** at a convenient retailer. The purchasing
system device 300 may issue the buyer a redemption...

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English Abstract
  A central **location** has a database of **goods** and/or services **available**
  , suppliers, supplier prices and registered purchasers. A purchaser
  places an order or a request for a quotation with the central location
  for one or more items. The purchaser may specify one or more specific
  suppliers for the order or for the specific items of the order or may
  request a "best price" from all the suppliers. The supplier(s) may be
  specified before or after item selection. The central database is
  searched for the best price for each item and a list of items, suppliers
  and prices is returned to the prospective purchaser which represents the
  best price for all the specified items.

French Abstract
  Selon cette invention, une base de donnees de biens et/ou de services
  disponibles, de fournisseurs, de prix fournisseurs et de clients
  enregistres existe dans un emplacement centralise. Un client passe une
  commande pour un ou plusieurs articles ou adresse une demande de prix a
  l'emplacement centralise . Le client peut preciser un ou plusieurs
  fournisseurs determines en rapport avec la commande ou demander "le prix
  le plus avantageux" chez tous les fournisseurs. On peut indiquer le ou

les fournisseur(s) ava⬤ou apres le selection d'articl⬤ Une recherche
est effectuee dans la base de donnees centralisee pour trouver le prix le
plus avantageux pour chaque article, et une liste d'articles, de
fournisseurs et de prix est retournee au client potentiel, ladite liste
offrant les meilleurs prix pour tous les articles indiques.

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English Abstract
  A central **location** has a database of **goods** and/or services **available**
  , suppliers, supplier prices and registered purchasers. A purchaser
  places an order or a request for...

Detailed Description
... the best available price.

  Background Art
  io With the increasing popularity and accessibility of the **Internet** ,
  many companies have made their **catalogue** of **products** or services
  available on the **Internet** . Many also provide **on -line** **shopping**
  systems whereby a purchaser may peruse **items** in the **vendor** 's on -
line **catalogue** and place an order **electronically** . However, this is
  functionally the equivalent of perusing a paper catalogue, selecting
items and then placing an order. If one wishes to obtain the best price
  and/or availability for an **item** or **items** , it is still necessary to
  look at each **vendor** 's **electronic** **catalogue** , select **items** and
compare **availability** and **prices** .

  A system has been proposed in which a prospective purchaser sends an
  order or request...

...for quotation.

  Disclosure of the Invention
  In the present invention, in one form, a central **location** has a
  database of **goods** and/or services **available** , suppliers, supplier
  prices and registered purchasers. A purchaser places an order or a
  request for...

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  **MULTI-VENDOR INTERNET COMMERCE SYSTEM FOR E-COMMERCE APPLICATIONS AND
     METHODS THEREFOR**
  **SYSTEME HETEROGENE DE COMMERCE SUR INTERNET DESTINE A DES APPLICATIONS DE
     COMMERCE ELECTRONIQUE ET PROCEDES ASSOCIES**
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English Abstract
   The present invention relates to a multi-vendor Internet Commerce System
   for e-commerce applications. More particularly, the present invention
   relates to an improved architecture for enabling e-commerce in an
   efficient and consumer-friendly way for a plurality of vendors through
   the Internet. A multi-vendor Internet commerce system (MV-ICS) is
   provided which includes a centrally implemented multi-vendor central
   processing unit (MV-CPU) acting cooperatively with a centrally
   implemented multi-vendor shared datastore (MV-SD). Using a variety of
   vendor-site I/O modules and consumer-interface I/O modules, the resources
   with the MV-SD may be shared by the plurality of vendor websites. This
   serves to relieve the individual vendor websites from having to set up
   and maintain some or all of certain facilities (i.e., programs and
   capabilities, including merchant database, consumer database, shopping
   cart facility, checkout facility, and the like). Various logic
   associated with the MV-CPU ensures that the appropriate communication
   occurs between each vendor website and the MV-SD, as well as the consumer
   via a browser.

French Abstract
   L'invention concerne un systeme heterogene de commerce sur Internet
   destine a des applications de commerce electronique. Plus
   particulierement, l'invention concerne une architecture perfectionnee
   permettant a une pluralite de commercants d'effectuer du commerce
   electronique via Internet, de maniere efficace et au service du
   consommateur. Un systeme heterogene de commerce sur Internet (MV-ICS)
   comporte une unite centrale heterogene a implementation centrale (MV-CPU)
   cooperant avec une memoire de donnees partagee heterogene a
   implementation centrale (MV-SD). Au moyen de differents modules
   d'entree-sortie des sites de vente et de modules d'entree-sortie
   d'interface consommateur, les ressources associees au MV-SD peuvent etre
   partagees par une pluralite de sites de vente sur Internet. Il est ainsi
   possible d'epargner aux sites de vente la configuration et l'entretien de
   certains appareils (par exemple, les programmes et les capacites, y
   compris la base de donnees du commercant, la base de donnees du
   consommateur, l'appareil pour chariot, l'appareil de verification et des
   appareils analogues). Une logique diversifiee associee a la MV-CPU
   garantit que la communication appropriee s'etablisse entre chaque site de
   vente et la MV-SD, ainsi qu'avec le consommateur via un explorateur.

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Detailed Description
... SD) 212. The universal shopping cart is a persistent storage structure
   that is capable of **holding**   **items**   for purchases that have been
   selected by the consumer from a plurality of vendor websites...

...shopping cart, the universal gift registry is a persistent storage
   structure that is capable of **holding**   **items**   for purchases that have
   been selected by the consumer from a plurality of vendor websites...

...structure associated with the Multi-Vendor Shared Datastores (MV-SD) 212
   that is capable of **holding**   **items**   of interest that have been selected
   by,the consumer from a plurality of vendor websites...

...structure associated with the Multi-Vendor Shared Datastores (MV-SD) 212
   that is capable of **holding**   **items**   of interest that have been selected
   by the consumer from a plurality ...for checkout within the universal
   shopping cart. In some cases, the consumer may wish to **hold** one or more
   of the **items** instead of checking them out, e.g., for farther comparison
   shopping or other purposes. Once...to aggregator sites (such as sites
   that aggregate catalog databases and implement searching and/or **price**
   /feature **comparison**) to create a whole new business model wherein the
   aggregator site may act as the Multi-**Vendor**   **Internet**   **Commerce**
   System (MV-ICS) provider and provide a cross-vendor clearing house for
   items displayed, selected, and purchased through the aggregator site
   using the centrally implemented Multi-Vendor Central...

...CS) which the aggregator site implements. Examples of such sites
   includes portals (e.g., America **Online** , Yahoo, Excite, Alta Vista,
   etc.), comparison **shopping** sites, banks, sites associated with credit
   card companies (e.g., Visa, Mastercard, American Express, Discover,
   etc.). In one implementation of this model, many of the databases of
   electronically viewable **merchandise** displays may be maintained by the
   underlying vendors. Once the consumer views the search result...

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**SETTLEMENT SYSTEMS AND METHODS WHEREIN A BUYER TAKES POSSESSION AT A
    RETAILER OF A PRODUCT PURCHASED USING A COMMUNICATION NETWORK**
**SYSTEMES ET PROCEDES DE REGLEMENT CONSISTANT POUR UN ACHETEUR A PRENDRE
    POSSESSION AU NIVEAU D'UN DETAILLANT D'UN PRODUIT ACHETE AU MOYEN D'UN
    RESEAU DE COMMUNICATION**
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English Abstract
    Settlement systems and methods are provided wherein a buyer takes
    possession of a product at a retailer. In one embodiment, a purchasing
    system arranges through a communication network for a buyer to purchase a
    product from a seller at a first price. The purchasing system also
    arranges for the buyer to take possession of the product at a retailer
    that offers the product for sale at a sedcond price. Payment of an amount
    based on the first price is received from the buyer, and the purchasing
    system arranges for the retailer to receive payment of an amount based on
    a settlement price in exchange for providing the product to the buyer.

French Abstract
    Systemes et procedes de reglement consistant pour un acheteur a prendre
    possession d'un produit au niveau d'un detaillant. Dans un mode de
    realisation, un systeme d'achat permet a l'acheteur, par l'intermediaire
    d'un reseau de communication, d'acheter un produit a un vendeur a un
    premier prix. Ce systeme d'achat permet egalement a l'acheteur de prendre
    possession du produit au niveau d'un detaillant proposant ce produit a la
    vente a un deuxieme prix. Le paiement d'un montant base sur le premier
    prix est recu de l'acheteur et le systeme d'achat permet au detaillant de
    recevoir le paiement d'un montant base sur un prix convenu en echange de
    la vente du produit a l'acheteur.

Detailed Description
... the comfort of home at an-y time of day or night.

    Another advantage of **online   shopping** is that **pricing   comparisons**
    are less time consuming. For example. a Web service can compile prices
    ftom various sources (e.g., **Web   merchants** and/or retail **stores** that
    are not **online**) for various **products** .

    This lets a buver easily find and select. for example. a retail store
    that offers...a seller (e.1g., a product manufacturer or a retailer)
    before taking possession of, or **"picking   up ,"** the **product** at a
    convenient retailer. The purchasing system device 3 10 may issue the
    buyer a...the purchasing system; (11) the settlement prices for those
    products; and (iii) the quantity and **regions** of **availability** of the
products . The seller device 5 10 may make such a determination based on,
    for example, the...the higher of the two prices may be stored.

    It should be noted that some **products** may be **picked   up** at one of
    several retailers, as indicated by the multiple entries in the retailer
    identifier...code may be using, for example, a PTC 960SL Wireless Mobile

Information Manager, deducting the **product** from inventory and
reserving , it in association with the buyer identifier. The buyer may
present his identifier upon arrival at the retailer (e.g., the buyer's
voucher identifier serves as the buyer and **reservation** identifier) and
be given the **product** .

According to yet another embodiment of the present invention, instead of
being charged the price...still another embodiment of the present
invention, an extra fee may be charged for "guaranteed" **availability** at
local store. When submitting an offer, the buyer checks off a
"guaranteed availability at a particular...purchase at the POS, and the
purchasing system device 3 10 may determine if a **reservation** exists for
another **product** the store typically stocks. If the buyer does have a
reservation, the POS can prompt...a redemption code at a retailer.

If a seller specifies a certain quantity of a **product** **available** in a
location to be ...a predetermined threshold, the manufacturer has the
option of making a certain quantity of the **products** **available** for
local **pick** -**up** sale through the purchasing system. The selling rate
specified in the contract may depend on...

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PURCHASING SYSTEMS AND METHODS WHEREIN A BUYER TAKES POSSESSION AT A
RETAILER OF A PRODUCT PURCHASED USING A COMMUNICATION NETWORK
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English Abstract
  Purchasing system and methods are provided wherein a buyer takes

possession of a produc●t a retailer. A purchasing sys●m may
communicate with a buyer through a communication network to establish a
first price for a product between the buyer and a seller. The purchasing
system may also arrange for the buyer to take possession of the product
at a retailer, different from the seller, that offers the product for
sale at a second price. Verification information, which enables the
retailer to authorize the buyer to take possession of the product, is
transmitted to the retailer. The buyer provides a payment, based on the
first price, to the purchasing system in exchange for the right to take
possession of the product at the retailer. In one embodiment, the
purchasing system receives a buyer offer, including an offer price,
related to the product. In another embodiment, the purchasing system
transmits redemption information, including a redemption code, to the
buyer. The redemption information may also include information that
enables the creation of a voucher to be used when taking possession of
the product. The purchasing system may also receive information related
to an attempt by the buyer to take possession of the product, including
the redemption code, from the retailer.

French Abstract
L'invention concerne un systeme et des procedes d'achat, selon lesquels
un acheteur prend possession d'un produit chez un detaillant. Un systeme
d'achat peut communiquer avec un acheteur par le biais d'un reseau de
communication pour etablir un premier prix d'un produit entre l'acheteur
et un vendeur. Le systeme d'achat peut egalement prendre des dispositions
permettant a l'acheteur de prendre possession du produit chez un
detaillant, different du vendeur, qui offre le produit a la vente a un
second prix. Des informations de verification, qui permettent au
detaillant d'autoriser l'acheteur de prendre possession du produit, sont
transmises au detaillant. L'acheteur effectue un paiement en se basant
sur le premier prix, au systeme d'achat en echange du droit de prendre
possession du produit chez le detaillant. Selon une mode de realisation
prefere, le systeme d'achat recoit une offre de l'acheteur, y compris un
prix d'offre lie au produit. Selon une autre mode de realisation, le
systeme d'achat transmet des informations sur le remboursement, y compris
un code de remboursement, a l'acheteur. Ces informations peuvent
comporter des informations permettant la creation d'un bon de commande a
utiliser lors de la prise de possession du produit. Le systeme d'achat
peut aussi recevoir des informations concernant une tentative de
l'acheteur de prendre possession du produit, y compris le code de
remboursement, du detaillant.

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Detailed Description
... from the comfort of home at any time of day or night.

    Another advantage of **online   shopping** is that **pricing   comparisons**
    are less time consuming. For example, a Web service can compile prices
    from various sources (e.g., **Web   merchants** and/or retail **stores** that
    are not **online**) for various **products** . This lets a buyer easily find
    and select, for example, a retail store that offers the lowest price for
    a **product** . Although this will save a buyer time, only regular retail
    prices (which the buyer would...

...As price information becomes more accessible, buyers are growing more
    price sensitive and demand that **products** be sold at lower prices.
    Having a product shipped to a buyer, which is the...a seller (e.g., a
    product manufacturer or a retailer) before taking possession of, or "

picking   up ," the product , such as a service, at a convenient
retailer. The purchasing system device 3 10 may...

...locally stored in the product database 900. The purchasing system device
3 10 can also **locally** store available **inventory** submitted by sellers.
For example, a seller may submit to the purchasing system device 3...the
purchasing system; (ii) the settlement prices for those products; and
(iii) the quantity and **regions** of **availability** of the **products** . The
seller device 5 10 may make such a determination based on, for example,
the...another embodiment of the product database 900. In this embodiment,
the seller further specifies a **region** where a given **product** is
available , and the quantity of the product that is available for sale,
through the purchasing system...

...928; and a retailer identifier 929.

In this case, the seller provides one or more **geographical   regions**
928 where a **product** will be **available** through the purchasing system
device 3 10. For example, a seller may offer a limited...code may be
using, for example, a PTC 960SL Wireless Mobile Information Manager,
deducting the **product** from inventory and **reserving** it in association
with the buyer identifier. The buyer may present his identifier upon
arrival at the retailer (e.g., the buyer's voucher identifier serves as
the buyer and **reservation** identifier) and be given the **product** .

According to still another embodiment of the present invention, the final
amount charged to the...still another embodiment of the present
invention, an extra fee may be charged for "guaranteed" **availability** at
local store. When submitting an offer, the buyer checks off a
"guaranteed availability at a particular...purchase at the POS and the
purchasing system device 3 10 may determine if a **reservation** exists for
another **product** the store typically stocks. If the buyer does have a
reservation, the POS can prompt...redeeming a voucher at a retailer.

If a seller specifies a certain quantity of a **product**   **available** in a
location to be sold through the purchasing system device 3 10, a certain
number of redemption...

Claim
...   selecting is performed based on at least one of: the location of the
buyer; the **location** of a retailer; the expected **availability** of the
product at a retailer; the actual availability of the product at a
retailer; retailer settlement prices...

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A FACILITATOR FOR AGGREGATING BUYER POWER IN AN ON-LINE MARKET SYSTEM
**MECANISME   PERMETTANT LE REGROUPEMENT DU POUVOIR D'ACHAT DANS UN SYSTEME DE
   MARCHE EN LIGNE**
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English Abstract
  The On-line Buyers Club System (OBCS) is a mechanism for the on-line
  purchasing of goods and services. The mechanism is targeted at user
  communities consisting of a large number of small-volume buyers (the
  "Buyers Club"). The primary function of the mechanism is to automatically
  aggregate the buying power of these buyers. The present invention
  provides a mechanism to promote competition among vendors (SELLERS) as
  well as a mechanism to influence buyers (BUYERS) to make a purchase.

French Abstract
  Le systeme du Club des acheteurs en ligne (OBCS) est un mecanisme
  d'acquisition de biens et de services destine a des communautes d'usagers
  regroupant de nombreux acheteurs petits consommateurs constituant le
  susdit "Club". La fonction premiere du mecanisme est de regrouper
  automatiquement le pouvoir d'achat desdits consommateurs. L'invention
  porte sur un mecanisme mettant en concurrence les differents vendeurs, et
  sur un mecanisme incitant les acheteurs a consommer.

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  Detailed Description

Detailed Description
... to buyer. Increasingly, buyers, whether consumers or businesses, are
  made aware of alternative sources of **goods** and services, and are able
  to leverage this knowledge to command better buying terms. **Online**
  comparison **shopping** services, such as Junglee, Jango, and mySimon, are
  good illustrations of this reality. Because of the **availability** of
  these well-known **comparison** shopping services, other services have been
  made available for inviting buyers to quote prices. There...in the
  process of submitting a bid would be out of luck. If the system **reserved**
   a percentage of the **goods** and shut down when it had sold all but the
  reserve, then those buyers already...

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COMPUTER METHOD AND APPARATUS ENABLING WHOLESALE COMMERCE
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English Abstract
  Computer method and apparatus provide wholesale ecommerce. Provided are a
  server on the Internet and a database maintained at the server. The
  database **holds** seller information, buyer information and **merchandise**
  information. A user interface with the database enables seller users and
  buyer users to communicate to each other and make transactions utilizing
  the database.

French Abstract
  L'invention concerne un procede et un appareil informatiques permettant
  le commerce de gros. Un serveur sur Internet et une base de donnees
  conservee au niveau du serveur sont prevus. La base de donnees conserve
  les informations sur les vendeurs, les informations sur les acheteurs et
  les informations sur les marchandises. Une interface d'utilisateur avec
  la base de donnees permet aux utilisateurs acheteurs et aux utilisateurs
  vendeurs de communiquer les uns avec les autres et de faire des
  transactions en utilisant la base de donnees.

English Abstract
  ...are a server on the Internet and a database maintained at the server.
  The database **holds** seller information, buyer information and
 merchandise information. A user interface with the database enables
  seller users and buyer users to communicate...

Detailed Description
...   market of retail buyers and wholesale distributors. Applicants believe
  that the untapped potential of the **Internet** will enable the **seller** to
  gain global exposure to sales channels not yet realized. This will also
  enable the buyer to purchase products with real-time **price   comparison**
  data and allow a convenient "one stop shopping" experience, reaching into
  "closed" and emerging markets...information and support the manufacturer
  drop down screens of the Catalog Page (Fig. 2). The **Item** files (Fig. 5)
 hold   product data and support display of product specification, etc.,
  in the Catalog Page screen views. There...

Claim
...   digital processor on a worldwide network maintaining a database on the
  digital processor, the database **holding** seller information, buyer
  information and **merchandise** information; and coupling a user interface
  with the database enabling seller users and buyer users...

...for communication on a worldwide network; a database maintained on the
  digital processor, the database **holding** seller information, buyer
  information and **merchandise** information; and a user interface coupled

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METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR BROKERING TRANSACTIONS
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English Abstract
  Method and apparatus are described for facilitating a transaction between
  a buyer and one of a plurality of sellers via the Internet. Product
  information relating to a plurality of products (Figure 19) meeting
  product criteria specified by the buyer is presented via the Internet.
  One of the plurality of sellers is associated with each of the products.
  A first bid from the buyer (210) for a first one of the plurality of
  products is made available via the Internet to a first seller associated
  with the first product. A first bid response (214) is presented via the
  Internet to the buyer according to response criteria specified by the
  first seller. Where the first bid response is an acceptance of the first
  bid, consummation of the transaction is facilitated (220). Where the
  first bid response is a counteroffer, further negotiation via the
  Internet between the buyer and the first seller is enabled (258).

French Abstract
  La presente invention concerne un procede et un dispositif destine a
  faciliter les transactions entre un acheteur et un ou plusieurs vendeurs
  via l'Internet. De l'information sur les produits se rapportant a une
  pluralite de produits (figure 19) repondant a des criteres de produit
  specifie par le vendeur est presentee via l'Internet. L'un des vendeurs
  de la pluralite de vendeurs est associe a chacun des produits. Une
  premiere offre de l'acheteur (210) pour un premier produit de la
  pluralite de produit est proposee via l'Internet a un premier vendeur
  associe au premier produit. Une premiere reponse (214) a l'offre est
  presentee via l'Internet au vendeur en fonction de criteres de reponse
  specifies par le premier vendeur. Si la premiere reponse a l'offre est
  une acceptation de la premiere offre, l'accomplissement de la transaction

est favorise (220). Si~~~~a premiere reponse a l'offre es~~~~ne surenchere,
il est possible de poursuivre la negociation via l'Internet entre
l'acheteur et le premier vendeur (258).
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Detailed Description
...   online sellers do not need to anticipate the inventory needs of a
  number of different **geographic   locations** . In fact, **inventory** may be
  centralized and precisely and automatically monitored and adjusted
  according to transaction data which...for a desired product may be
  effected in a variety of ways. For example, like **price   comparison**
  services, e.g., **shopping** engines, on the **web** today, the search may
  employ either a database which allows multi merchant **price   comparisons**
  , or a parser, e.g., a shopping bot, which sends search requests to
  multiple merchant...

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**CORRELATED INDIVIDUAL UNIT SALES PRICE REDUCTION BASED ON CUMULATIVE SALES
REDUCTION   CORRELEE   DES PRIX DE VENTE D'UNITES INDIVIDUELLES BASEE SUR DES
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English Abstract
  An interactive website on the Internet posts information regarding
  products and services, each product or service being offered for sale at
  an initial offering price with at least one lower alternative sales
  price, which can become the final sales price, being posted. The
  applicability of the lower price is contingent upon the confirmation of a
  specified number of prospective sales for that productor service.
  Confirmed individual purchase orders are cumulatively totalled over time
  to effect incremental cost reductions for the entire class of purchasers
  of a given product or service, or for a group of related products or

services. Fulfillment ● the confirmed purchase orders ● preferably
affected from inventory **held** by the **product** 's manufacturer, a
regional distributor of the product or a merchant dealing in the product,
thereby further reducing the costs associated with each individual sale.

French Abstract
   Un site web interactif Internet envoie des informations concernant des
   produits et services, chacun desdits produits et services etant offert a
   la vente a un prix initial, avec au moins une variante plus basse pouvant
   constituer le prix final. L'applicabilite du prix le plus bas depend de
   la confirmation d'un nombre specifie de ventes prospectives par les
   services de ce producteur. Les ordres d'achat individuels confirmes sont
   totalises dans le temps pour effectuer des reductions de cout pour une
   classe entiere d'acheteurs d'un produit ou service donne ou pour un
   groupe de produits ou services associes. L'execution des ordres d'achat
   confirmes se fait de preference a partir de l'inventaire tenu par le
   fabricant du produit, par un distributeur regional ou par un detaillant,
   ce qui reduit encore les couts associe a chaque vente individuelle.

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English Abstract
   ...related products or services. Fulfillment of the confirmed purchase
   orders is preferably affected from inventory **held** by the **product** 's
   manufacturer, a regional distributor of the product or a merchant dealing
   in the product...

Detailed Description
... and does not vary with actual volume of sales.

   Although there are obvious benefits to **sellers** and marketers that
   employ the **Internet** , including manufacturers, regional, national or
   even international distributors, as well as local merchants, there is...

...of a general practice of passing along cost-savings to individual
   Internet purchasers of the **products** or services. In fact, it appears
   that the general approach to the broad category of mail order **shopping** ,
   of which **electronic** or e-mail **commerce** is but a sub-category, has
   been to offer **goods** at what appear to be premium department store
   prices and to then further enhance the cost of the **goods** to the
   purchaser by addition of shipping and handling charges which can average
   15%-20%, or more, of the purchase price for individual **items** . In most
   cases, shoppers with access to larger department stores, suburban malls
   and manufacturer's outlet or discount shopping centers, home center
   stores, and the like can obtain **products** of **comparable** quality at
   prices less than those paid for mail ordered **goods** . The mail-order
   catalog ...of state and with the avoidance of local sales tax, the cost
   of getting the **goods** into the hands of the purchaser should be less
   than through the normal retail channels...

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   **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR COUPON SHOPPING IN A COMPUTER-IMPLEMENTED SHOPPING
      MALL**

SYSTEME ET PROCEDE D'ACH**⬤**DE COUPONS DANS UN CENTRE COMM**⬤**IAL INFORMATISE

English Abstract
  A computer-implemented system and method for coupon shopping in an
  on-line shopping mall. A shopping mall system makes electronic stores of
  an electronic shopping mall publicly accessible over a public network to
  consumers, merchants, and others. A consumer may browse from one store to
  another, or select a store by category or otherwise. The consumer may
  select a product by browsing through a store, or by searching either a
  store or the mall for a particular type of product. A consumer may select
  one or more products, from one or more stores, for consolidated purchase
  from a single shopping cart. The selected products may be grouped
  together for viewing and/or editing by the consumer prior to the
  consolidated purchase. The consumer may add or remove products from the
  shopping cart, or change the quantity of an item, prior to purchase.
  Also, consumers may be offered a merchant coupon (sponsored by a
  merchant) or a mall coupon (sponsored by the shopping mall). A consumer
  may add either kind of coupon to the shopping cart to reduce the price of
  one or more applicable products in the shopping cart. A merchant coupon
  may apply to all products in the merchant's on-line store, or to certain
  products that may be specified by product category, product line, or
  other categorizations. A mall coupon may apply to all products in the
  shopping mall, to products in specified stores or categories of stores,
  to certain products in specified stores, or according to other
  categorizations.

French Abstract
  L'invention porte sur un systeme et un procede informatique d'achat de
  coupons dans un centre commercial sur reseau. Le systeme de cette
  invention permet de rendre accessibles au public, tels qu'a des
  consommateurs, des commercants et autres, les magasins electroniques d'un
  centre commercial electronique, sur un reseau public. Un consommateur
  peut naviguer d'un magasin a un autre ou selectionner un magasin par
  categorie ou autre. Le consommateur peut selectionner un produit en
  navigant dans un magasin ou en recherchant soit un magasin, soit le
  centre commercial d'un type de produit donne. Le consommateur peut
  selectionner un ou plusieurs produits, dans un ou plusieurs magasins,
  pour faire un achat groupe avec une carte d'achat unique. Les produits
  selectionnes peuvent etre regroupes de facon a etre visualises et/ou
  edites par le consommateur avant l'achat groupe. Le consommateur peut

ajouter ou retirer des produits de la carte d'achat, ou modifier la
quantite d'un article, avant l'achat. Les consommateurs peuvent egalement
beneficier d'un coupon de commercant (sponsorise par un commercant) ou
d'un coupon de centre commercial (sponsorise par le centre commercial).
Le consommateur peut ajouter a la carte d'achat tout type de coupon de
facon a reduire le prix d'un ou plusieurs produits de la carte d'achat.
Un coupon de commercant peut etre valable pour tous les produits du
magasin sur reseau du commercant ou pour certains produits pouvant etre
specifies par la categorie, la ligne de produits ou autres
categorisations. Un coupon de centre commercial peut etre valable pour
tous les produits du centre commercial, pour les produits de magasins
specialises ou categories de magasins, pour certains produits de magasins
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Detailed Description
... pay extra for brand names, however, may be undermined by the
   unprecedented ease with which **electronic   catalogue   shopping** allows,
   and often encourages, **price** , feature, and performance **comparisons** .
   Also the **availability** of the brand name **merchandise** in a catalogue of
   many thousands of **products** from many merchants may undermine the
   brand-name status of a **product** and make it appear to consumers more as
   a commodity.

   This inherent tension between the...has selected coupons, and now wishes
   to see the contents of the shopping cart that **holds** the resulting
 product and coupon transactions. Consumer A selects one of numerous
   buttons that may be provided for...to withdraw from Consumer A's account
   a portion of the funds subject to a **hold** when Merchant A indicates that
 product "a" has been shipped. This portion generally is the price shown
   to Consumer A in...

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English Abstract
A method and system for providing lists of merchants that provide
particular products and services to customers and for receiving and
distributing submissions of requests for quotes from customers to
merchants. The system comprises various communications media, centralized
servers, and a centralized database that contains merchant and customer
information. Customers access the merchant information via a basic
transaction and transaction protocol in order to receive a list of
merchants that offer any particular product or service. The customer then
submits requests for quotes to each of the merchants from the list of
merchants through the intelligent multi-media market and receives quotes
back either directly from the merchants or through the intelligent
multi-media market. The intelligent multi-media market identifies
merchants through automated processes. The merchants are not provided
exclusivity agreements to participate in the intelligent multi-media
market, and may opt out of participation in the intelligent multi-media
market at any time.

French Abstract
La presente invention concerne un procede et un systeme permettant d'une
part de fournir des listes de commercants qui proposent des produits et
des services particuliers aux clients, et d'autre part de recevoir et de
distribuer des presentations de demandes d'offres emanant des clients, a
l'attention des commercant. Ce systeme comprend des media de
communications varies, des serveurs centralises, et une base de donnees
centralisee contenant des informations relatives aux commercants et aux
clients. Les clients accedent aux informations des commercants par un
protocole de transactions basique, afin de recevoir une liste des
commercants qui offrent des produits ou des services particuliers. Le
client soumet alors des demandes d'offres a chacun des commercants de la
liste de commercants en passant par le marche multimedia intelligent, et
il recoit en retour des offres soit directement des commercants soit par
le biais du marche multimedia intelligent. Le marche multimedia
intelligent identifie les commercants par des processus automatises. Les
commercant ne sont pas lies par des d'accords d'exclusivite pour
participer dans ce marche multimedia intelligent, et ils peuvent refuser
de participer au marche multimedia intelligent a n'importe quel moment.

Detailed Description
... Mail and telephone shopping limit the geographical breadth of the
    search because of limitations in **availability** of non-**local** telephone
    number listings and mail addresses as well as by cost. The further a
    given...

...customer and the merchant via mail or telephone. Various internet-based
    markets are also limited **geographically** , either by the **availability**
    of the Internet to merchants in different areas and of different
    technological capabilities, as well...value.

Table 4

Type of Shopping Geographical Ease of Offering Tools for Feedback from
Reachability **Comparable   Prices** Processing Quotes Customers In-person
low fair poor poor Mail limited fair poor poor Telephone...

...low poor poor Buying service limited fair poor poor Internet direct

limited fair poor poor Internet   virtual limited fair poor poor **store**
  Internet   shopping limited high poor poor agent **Internet**   quote
limited fair poor poor aggregators Internet horizontal quote aggregators
limited fair poor poor Desired...

...for merchants that provide a particular good or service, provide less
  than adequate facilities for **comparing   prices** offered by merchants
  for particular **goods** and services, and provide virtually no advanced
  information tools to allow a customer to verify...

...enabled markets do not adequately address the need of merchants for
  efficiently and broadly advertising **goods** and services, for offering
  comparative   prices , for tools that facilitate processing of requests
  for quotes and other inquiries from customers, and...

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ELECTRONIC COMMERCE SEARCH, RETRIEVAL AND TRANSACTION SYSTEM
SYSTEME DE RECHERCHE, D'EXTRACTION ET DE TRANSACTION POUR APPLICATIONS DE
    COMMERCE ELECTRONIQUE

English Abstract
  The invention provides methods and apparatus for implementing electronic
  commerce applications over the Internet or in other types of computer
  systems, in a manner which improves conditions for buying and selling for
  consumers and vendors. An illustrative embodiment is implemented in the
  form of an e-commerce web site which includes consumer-specific pages
  each corresponding to a particular consumer, vendor-specific pages each
  corresponding to a particular vendor, and a processing system which
  controls communication between the consumer-specific and vendor-specific
  pages. The processing system includes or otherwise has access to a set of
  servers and a corresponding set of databases for processing consumer
  requests. A given consumer request generated at a particular one of the
  consumer-specific pages is processed by the processing system such that
  information from one or more vendors associated with the vendor-specific
  pages can be supplied to the consumer via the consumer-specific page. For
  example, a vendor without a commerce-enabled web site can register with
  the system such that information from the vendor is delivered to the
  consumer as part of, e.g., a product comparison search. In other
  embodiments, the consumer-specific and vendor-specific pages may each be
  implemented as separate web sites which interact with the processing
  system to provide the desired functionality.

French Abstract
  L'invention concerne des procedes et un systeme permettant de mettre en
  oeuvre des applications de commerce electronique via l'Internet ou
  d'autres types de systemes informatiques, de facon a ameliorer les
  conditions d'achat et de vente pour les clients et les fournisseurs. Un
  mode de realisation representatif de l'invention fait intervenir un site
  Web de commerce electronique qui comprend des pages reservees aux clients
  correspondant chacune a un client particulier, des pages reservees aux
  fournisseurs correspondant chacune a un fournisseur particulier, et un
  systeme de traitement qui controle la communication entre les pages
  reservees aux clients et les pages reservees aux fournisseurs. Le systeme
  de traitement peut comprendre lui-meme un ensemble de serveurs et un

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  Internet related local commerce applications are facilitated by a
  geographically coded search engine database (2). Various user interface
  features (3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 21, 22, 33) are presented substantially
  simplifying searching of geographically coded Internet pages. Standard
  directories are also integrated into Internet based searches to provide
  greater feedback to users of the system.

French Abstract
  Les applications commerciales locales liees a l'Internet sont facilitees
  par une base de donnees de moteur de recherche codee geographiquement
  (2). Plusieurs caracteristiques d'interface utilisateur (3, 5, 6, 7, 8,
  9, 10, 21, 22, 33) sont presentees, et elles permettent de simplifier
  sensiblement la recherche de pages Internet codees geographiquement. Des
  repertoires standards sont egalement integres aux recherches sur
  Internet, et ce en vue de fournir davantage de reactions aux utilisateurs
  du systeme.

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Detailed Description
... exemplary aspects, the web page may be reconfigured to allow the user
   to check the **inventory** of the **local** store branch nearest the user.

   a method for presenting/reconfiguring information on a search engine...
   state, country, or other physical location, payment terms, shipping times
   based on the user's **location** and whether the item is **in stock** or
   out of stock based on the country or user's location.
   The web page...the customer's interests and, optionally, location as
   determined by other aspects of this invention.

   Merchandise and InventoEy Interface
   Another option to the local **commerce** friendly **Internet** is to provide
   the search engine with a capability to search for particular **merchandise**
   , either by **merchandise** type (e.g. flowers, computers, etc.) or by a

particular brand or mo███ (e.g...

...saves the local shopper from having to contact multiple locations to
find a class of **merchandise** or a particular piece of **merchandise** , and
compare **availability** and **prices** , for instance. In this manner, a
user can log on to the Internet and search...

...to the user's location or in an area and pull up the price and
availability of the **item** within the selected **geographic** area. This
would be a service that, for example, a service provider or a search...

...A user may also check to see whether a store sells a particular class of
merchandise or provides a particular type of service. For example, a
user may want to find out whether a particular **store** sells groceries
103 and **electronics** and flowers, etc. A user may want to find out if a
particular grocery store...

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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR EXECUTING ELECTRONIC COMMERCIAL TRANSACTIONS WITH
    MINORS
PROCEDE ET APPAREIL DE REALISATION DE TRANSACTIONS COMMERCIALES
    ELECTRONIQUES AVEC DES MINEURS
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English Abstract
  A method and apparatus is provided for executing electronic transactions
  with teens, especially where such transactions are limited only to those
  vendors that have been approved by the teen's parents. In one embodiment,
  a virtual automatic teller machine (VATM) is provided in which funds are
  transferred from an existing account, such as a saving account, checking
  account, or credit card account, to an Internet passport account. The
  VATM account mimics a bank account, i.e. it gives the user the appearance
  of an ATM machine. Functionally, the VATM allows the user to transfer
  funds from an existing account into the Internet passport account. The

VATM does this by emul▊ng an ATM machine as it appear▊o the Automated Clearing House (ACH) system. The ACH system is a separate network from the Internet. Rather than acting as a trustee for a teen account, the invention provides a method and apparatus that allows a merchant to withdraw funds directly from the teen's account automatically at the time of purchase. In this way, the invention provides a system in which funds are not held, thereby eliminating cash advance fees and liabilities associated with trusteeship. A second embodiment of the invention, a global gift certificate, is provided. The preferred second embodiment of the invention is configured to appear as a debit card to the ACH system. In this regard, the gift certificate thus generated is truly global in that it is accepted anywhere it is presented.

French Abstract
Cette invention se rapporte a un procede et a un appareil permettant de realiser des transactions electroniques avec des adolescents, notamment lorsque ces transactions sont limitees aux clients ayant recu l'accord de leurs parents. Dans un mode de realisation, on prevoit un guichet automatique virtuel (VATM), dans lequel les fonds sont transferes d'un compte existant, tel qu'un compte d'epargne, un compte de cheques ou un compte de carte de credit, vers un compte de passeport Internet. Le compte VATM imite un compte en banque, c'est-a-dire qu'il se presente pour l'utilisateur sous l'apparence d'un guichet automatique bancaire ATM. Fonctionnellement, le guichet automatique virtuel VATM permet a l'utilisateur de transferer des fonds d'un compte existant vers le compte de passeport Internet. Le guichet automatique virtuel VATM permet ce transfert en emulant un guichet automatique ATM, tel qu'il apparait dans le systeme de chambre de compensation automatisee (ACH). Le systeme ACH constitue un reseau separe de l'Internet. Plutot que de fonctionner comme curateur pour le compte d'un adolescent, cette invention propose un procede et un appareil qui permettent a un commercant de retirer des fonds directement du compte de l'adolescent automatiquement au moment de l'achat. Ainsi, cette invention forme un systeme dans lequel les fonds ne sont pas gardes, eliminant ainsi les frais d'avance d'argent courant et les responsabilites associes a une tutelle. Cette invention propose un second mode de realisation, constitue par un cheque-cadeau global. Le second mode de realisation prefere est concu de facon a apparaitre comme une carte de credit pour le systeme ACH. A cet egard, le cheque-cadeau ainsi produit est vraiment global, etant donne qu'il est accepte partout ou il est presente.

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... the population at large.

  eStats estimates that 65% of current net users have used the **Web** to " **shop** around" **online** . **Shopping** as used herein is defined as checking out **products** and services and **comparing** **prices** , prior to a purchase decision. However, only 14% of net users have actually purchased anything ...because E-commerce allows one to shop world wide. Thus, teens may now shop for **goods** and service not **available** **locally** . They may shop internationally. In this

ensemble correspondant e bases de donnees pour le traitement des
demandes des clients, ou bien il peut donner acces a ces ensembles. Une
demande d'un client donnee, effectuee a une page reservee aux clients,
est traitee par le systeme de traitement, de telle facon que les
informations provenant d'un ou de plusieurs fournisseurs, qui sont
associees aux pages reservees aux fournisseurs, puissent etre fournies au
client via la page reservee aux clients. Par exemple, un fournisseur qui
ne dispose pas de site Web commercial, peut s'enregistrer dans le
systeme, de telle sorte que les informations provenant du fournisseur
soient fournies au client, par exemple en tant que partie d'une recherche
de comparaison de produits. Dans d'autres modes de realisation, les pages
reservees aux clients et les pages reservees aux fournisseurs peuvent
etre mises en oeuvre en tant que sites Web independants interagissant
avec le systeme de traitement pour fournir la fonctionnalite desiree.

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prices of specific **products** or services across several different
  vendors. These comparison sites offer consumers the ability to enter
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prices from multiple vendors.

  Exemplary **comparison** sites such as those known as BottomDollarTm,
  JangoTM, and NetBuyeem offer a wide range of...limiting the number of
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  Despite the tremendous advances made in **e -commerce** via the Internet,
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...accurate and timely information concerning the consumers interested in
  their products and services. Although current **e   commerce** initiatives
  have dramatically increased the access of consumers to companies and
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...for optimum buying and selling. For example, as noted above, comparison
  sites and other conventional **e -commerce** sites often provide
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  relatively small number of **on -line   vendors** , and generally provide a
  less than optimum buying and selling environment.

  Summary of the Invention...of requests via multiple purchase criteria;

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facilitation of order processing. Alternative DNAs may incorporate only
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criteria, e.g., **product** , price, **availability** , **location** , warrantee,
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ELECTRONIC COMMERCE SEARCH, RETRIEVAL AND TRANSACTION SYSTEM
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   ELECTRONIQUE
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English Abstract
  The invention provides methods and apparatus for implementing electronic
  commerce applications over the Internet or in other types of computer
  systems, in a manner which improves conditions for buying and selling for
  consumers and vendors. An illustrative embodiment is implemented in the
  form of an e-commerce web site which includes consumer-specific pages
  each corresponding to a particular consumer, vendor-specific pages each
  corresponding to a particular vendor, and a processing system which
  controls communication between the consumer-specific and vendor-specific
  pages. The processing system includes or otherwise has access to a set of
  servers and a corresponding set of databases for processing consumer
  requests. A given consumer request generated at a particular one of the
  consumer-specific pages is processed by the processing system such that
  information from one or more vendors associated with the vendor-specific
  pages can be supplied to the consumer via the consumer-specific page. For
  example, a vendor without a commerce-enabled web site can register with
  the system such that information from the vendor is delivered to the
  consumer as part of, e.g., a product comparison search. In other
  embodiments, the consumer-specific and vendor-specific pages may each be
  implemented as separate web sites which interact with the processing
  system to provide the desired functionality.

French Abstract

La presente invention concerne des procedes et un appareil permettant la mise en oeuvre d'applications de commerce electronique via l'Internet ou dans d'autres types de systemes informatiques, et ce, de facon ameliorant sensiblement les conditions d'achat et de vente pour les consommateurs et les vendeurs. Une realisation particulierement caracteristique est mise en oeuvre sous la forme d'un site web de commerce electronique qui comprend des pages specifiquement consommateur correspondant chacune a un consommateur particulier, des pages specifiquement vendeur correspondant chacune a un vendeur particulier, et un systeme de traitement qui gere les echanges entre les pages consommateur et les pages vendeur. Le systeme de traitement comporte, ou a acces a, un ensemble de serveurs et a un ensemble correspondant de bases de donnees permettant le traitement des requetes consommateurs. Une requete consommateur particuliere generee au niveau de l'une des pages consommateur est traitee par le systeme de traitement de facon que l'information provenant d'au moins un vendeur associe aux pages vendeur puisse etre fournie au consommateur via la page consommateur. Par exemple, un vendeur sans site web ouvert au commerce electronique peut se faire connaitre du systeme de facon que l'information en provenance du vendeur soit fournie au consommateur, notamment a l'occasion d'une recherche en comparaison de produits. Selon d'autres realisations, les pages consommateur et les pages vendeur peuvent se mettre en oeuvre chacune independamment sous forme de sites web en interaction avec le systeme de traitement de facon a fournir la fonction souhaitee.

Detailed Description
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...accurate and timely information concerning the consumers interested in their products and services. Although current **e   commerce** initiatives have dramatically increased the access of consumers to companies and their products and services...

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 initial loading of rapid release granules and sec. loading of blended
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Abstract (Basic): EP 558913 A
        Improved pharmaceutical delivery system adapted to provide a
therapeutically effective blood concn. level of
7-dimethylamino-6-deoxy-6-demthyltetracycline (minocycline) for a
sustained period of time (up to 24 hr) comprises (A) 51-80 pts. wt. of
an initial loading of a quick release granules, adapted to release the
minocycline completely in a medium with pH less than 3.9 and contg. (i)
an excipient and (ii) minocycline on or in the granules and (B) 20-49
pts. wt. of a secondary loading of blended polymer coated spherical
granules, comprising: (i) an excipient opt. different from the one in
(a) with (ii) minocycline, on or in the granules and a uniform pH
sensitive coating on the spherical granules which is a blend of two
polymers at least one polymer is non-pH sensitive and rapidly erodible
in water and the other is pH sensitive and erodible in a medium having
a pH of 4.5-6.5. The granules release some minocycline in a medium at
pH 1-3, and the remainder rapidly in a medium at pH 4.5-6.5.
        USE/ADVANTAGE - Minocycline is widely used as an antimicrobial
agent with half life 10-16 hr. The delivery system provides an initial
pulse of minocycline form (A) in the acidic stomach medium to attain
effective blood levels, with a gradual release from (B), a small amt.
in the acidic stomach, but mostly for absorption in the duodenum and
jejiunum to provide 24 hr. therapeutic and steady blood levels. The
bioavailability is superior to other controlled release systems and
more so to multiple dose admin. resulting in optimal therapeutic effect
and patient compliance.
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Abstract (Equivalent): US 5262173 A
        Prepn. comprises: (I) forming an initial loading component by a)
blending (i) a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient(s); and (ii) an
antibacterial amt. of 7-dimethylamino-6-deoxy-6-demethyltetracycline or
a nontoxic acid addn. salt; b) granulating the resultant blend in a
liq.; c) extending the resultant granulate; d) spherionising the
extrudate to form quick release granules which release the tetracycline
(salt) in a medium of pH upto 3.9; and e) drying the quick release
granules; and (ii) and forming sec. leading component by a) blending
(i) a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient(s); and (ii) an
antibacterial amt. of the above tetracycline (salt); b) granulating the
blend in aliq., c) extruding the granulate; d) spherionsiing the
extrudate; e) drying the precursors;a nd f) coating the precursors with
a non pH-sensitive water-erodible polymer and a pH 4.5-6.5 sensitive
polymer.
        Pharmaceutical compsn. comprises 51-80 pts.wt. (I) and 20-49
pts.wt. (II).
        USE/ADVANTAGE - In a pharmaceutical delivery system proviidng
enhanced minocycline blood levels.
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        US 5348748 A
        Pharmaceutical delivery system (I) which provides an effective
concn. level in the blood of 7-dimethylamine-
6-deoxy:6-demethyltetracycline (II) (minocycline), or a non-toxic acid
addn. salt, for a period of time up to about 24 hours is claimed. The
system consists of (a) quick release granules which release (II) in a
pH of less than 3.9 and (b) granules coated with a blend of at least 2
polymers; these release some (II) at pH 1.0-3.0 and the remainder,
rapidly, at pH 4.5-6.5.
        Oral dosage units comprising a shell capsule contg. (I) and opt.
lubricants, pigments, plasticisers, etc., are also claimed.
        ADVANTAGE - Improved pharmaceutical delivery is obtained.
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Derwent Class: A11; A14; A96; B05; P33
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  **Stable controlled release pharmaceutical compsn. - comprising active
  spherical granules and compressible spherical granules in tablet form
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      A controlled release tablet comprises; (A) a therapeutically
  effective no. of active spherical granules comprising (i) an effective
  amt. of at least 1 active medicament; (ii) a pharmaceutically
  acceptable normally solid diluent adapted to form a diffusable matrix
  for (A)(i); and opt. (iii) at least 1 pharmaceutically acceptable
  excipient, the same as or different from (A) (ii); and (B) a no. of
  compressible spherical granules comprising (i) at least 1 mono- or
  di-saccharide; opt. (ii) a pharmaceutically acceptable normally solid
  diluent adapted to form a diffusable matrix, the same as or different
  from (A)(ii); opt. (iii) an effective amt. of at least 1 active
  medicament, the same as or different from (A)(i); opt. (iv) at least 1
  pharmaceutically acceptable excipient other than a mono- or
  di-saccharide, the same as or different from (A)(ii), (A)(iii) or
  (B)(ii); or opt. (v) a combination of any of (B)(ii), (B)(iii) and
  (B)(iv); wherein the average compressible yield of (B) is less than
  that of (A).
      USE/ADVANTAGE - The tablets provide excellent controlled release
  of the active ingredient, are partic. effective for low dosages and are
  stable.
      Dwg.0/15
Abstract (Equivalent): US 5283065 A
      Controlled release pharmaceutical compsns. (I) in oral dosage unit
  form comprise$
      (A) active spherical granules consisting of 10-80 pts.wt. of at
  least 1 active cpd. (pref. methazolamide, ibuprofen, diopyramide or a
  tetracycline), 75-10 pts.wt. of microcrystalline cellulose, and 10-75
  pts.wt. of an excipient (wts. are based on 100 pts.wt. of (A)) and$
      (B) compressible spherical granules consisting of 25-90 pts.wt. of
  at least 1 mono- or di-saccharide, and opt., 75-10 pts.wt. of
  microcrystalline cellulose, at least 1 active cpd. (the same or
  different to that in (A)). 0-90 pts.wt. of an excipient other than a
  mono- or di-saccharide, or a combination of the last 3 ingredients.

Wts. are based on 100 pts.wt. of (A)). Average compressive yield of (B)
is less than that of (A).
        ADVANTAGE - (I) are stable and retain potency and controlled
release properties under a wide range of storage conditions.
        Dwg.0/4
Derwent Class: B07
International Patent Class (Main): A61K-009/14
International Patent Class (Additional): A61K-009/26; A61K-009/44;
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**Pharmaceutical delivery system for minocycline - having minocycline in
quick release form and also with pH sensitive coating to maintain
antibacterial activity**
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KR 187950	B1			A61K-031/65	
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Abstract (Basic): EP 418565 A
    (A)A pharmaceutical delivery system adapted to provide a
  therapeutically effective blood concn. level of
  7-dimethylamino-6-dioxy- 6-demethyl-tetracycline (minocycline) or its
  salts for a sustained period of time of up to 24 hrs is claimed
  comprising (I) a multiple delivery vehicle system comprising (A) an
  initial loading therapeutically effective number of quick release
  granules which comprise (a) (i) at least one excipient and (ii)
  minocycline or its salts, on or in the quick release granules and opt.
  (b) a uniform polymer coating on the quick release granules and which
  is rapidly and completely erodible in a medium having a pH of less than
  3.9, the quick release granules being adapted to release completely the
  minocyclinic in a medium having a pH of less than 3.9, (A-1) an initial
  loading therapeutically effective amt. of finely divided powder
  comprising (a) microcycline or its salts and opt. (b) at least on
  excipient or (A-2) an initial loading therapeutically effective
  combination of (A) and (A-1) and (B) a secondary loading
  therapeutically effective number of pH sensitive polymer coated
  spherical particles which comprise (a) (i) at least one excipient and
  (ii) minocycline or its salts, on or in the coated spherical granules
  and (b) a uniform pH sensitive polymer coating.
    Dwg.0/0
Abstract (Equivalent): EP 418565 B
    A pharmaceutical delivery system adapted to provide a
  therapeutically effective blood concentration level of
  7-dimethylamino-6-deoxy-6-demethyltetracycline or a non-toxic acid
  addition salt thereof for a sustained period of time of up to about

twenth-four hours comprising: (1) a multiple delivery vehicle system
comprising (A) an initial loading therapeutically effecive number of
quick release granules which comprise (a) (i) an effective amount of at
least one pharmaceutically acceptable excipient; and (ii) an effective
antibacterial amount of 7-dimethylamino-6-deoxy-6-demethylt etracycline
or a non-toxic acid addition salt thereof, on or in said quick release
granules; and optionally (b) a substantially uniform polymer coating,
on said quick release granules and which is rapidly and substantially
completely erodible in a medium having a pH of less than 3.9; said
quick release granules being adapted to release substantially
completely said minocycline in a medium having a pH of less than 3.9.
(A-1) an initial loading therapeutically effective amount of finely
divided powder comprising (a) an effective antibacterial amount of
7-dimethylamino-6-deoxy-6-demethyltetracycline or a non-toxic acid
addition salt thereof; and optionally (b) an independent effective
amount of at least one phamaceutically acceptable excipient which may
be the same as or different than (I)(A)(a)(i); or (A-2) combination of
(A) and (A-1); and (B) a secondary loading therapeutically effective
number of pH sensitive polymer coated spherical granules which comprise
(a) (i) an independent effective amount of at least one
pharmaceutically acceptable excipient which may be the same as or
different than (I)(A)(a)(i) or (I)(A-1)(b); and (ii) an independent
effective antibacterial amount of
70dimethylamino-6-deoxy-6-demetyyltetracycline or a non-toxic acid
additon said thereof, on or in said coated spherical granules; and (b)
a substantially uniform pH sensitive polymer coating, the polymer of
which may be the same as or different than (I)(A)(b), on said coated
spherical granules and which is rapidly and substantially completely
erodible in a medium having a pH in the range of from 4.0 to 7.5; said
coated spherical granules thereby being adapted to release
substantially completely said minocycline or a medium having a pH in
the range of from 4.0-7.5; or (II) one or more multi-coated spheronised
pharmaceutical single delivery vehicle compositions comprising: (A) a
core comprised of (a) a full or partial secondary loading
therapeutically effective antib
    (Dwg.1/15)
Abstract (Equivalent): US 5300304 A
    Pharmaceutical delivery system for providing a therapeutically
effective blood concn. level of 7-dimethylamino-6-deoxy-6-
demethyl-tetracycline or its non-toxic acid addn. salts for up to 24
hrs., comprises (I) a multiple delivery vehicle system comprising (A)
an initial loading of quick release granules completely releasing the
minocycline in a medium having a pH of less than 3.9, (A-1) an initial
loading of finely divided powder comprising minocycline and excipient
or (A-2) an initial loading of (A) and (A-1) in combination and (B) a
sec. loading of pH sensitive polymer coated spherical granules coated
with uniform pH sensitive polymer which is rapidly erodible in a medium
having a pH of 4.0-7.5.
    Alternatively, the system comprises (II) at least 1 multicoated
spheroidised pharmaceutical single delivery vehicle compsns.
    ADVANTAGE - Antibacterial activity may be maintained for up to 24
hrs. using the once-a-day delivery system.
    Dwg.1/15
Derwent Class: B05; P33
International Patent Class (Main): A61K-000/00; A61K-009/10; A61K-009/14;
  A61K-009/22; A61K-031/65
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New complexes of 1,4-dihydropyridine cpds. - with polypolyoxyethylene-polypolyoxypropylene block copolymers, useful in sustained release compsns.

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DK 8806564	A	19890526				198931	
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ES 2037179	T3			A61K-031/44	Based on patent EP 317780

Abstract (Basic): EP 317780 A
    New complex comprises a 1, 4-dihydropyridine (I) complexed with a block polyoxyethylene-polyoxypropylene A-B-A copolymer of mol. wt. 1000-16,000 and contg. 10-80 wt.% oxyethylene terminal block units. Prefd. (I) of formula (IA); where R1= aryl; R2, R3=carboxy or ester gp.; R4, R5=H, CN, lower alkyl or substd. lower alkyl where the substit is CN, OH, acyloxy, hydroxyi hydroxyimino, hydrazono, lower alkoxyimino, lower hydroxyalkylimini, hydrazino, lower hydroxyalkylamino, N'-or N', N'-di(lower)alkylamino (lower) alkylamino, a 5- or 6-membered satd. N-contg. heterocyclic-1-yl opt. contg. OH, lower alkyl or lower hydroxyalkyl, or oxo where the so-formed carbonyl is opt. protected, provided that when the of R4 and R5 is H or lower alkyl, both are CN or substd. lower alkyl, or R4 is H or lower alkyl and R3 and R5 are combined to form -CO-O-CH (R6)-, -CO-NH-N=CH-, -CO-NR7-CH2- or -CO-O-N=CH-; and R6=H or Me; and R7=2-diethylaminoethyl or 2-hydroxyethyl. Esp. prefd. (I) are nilvadipine, nitrendipine, nisoldipine, niludipine, nicardipine, nifedipine, felodipine and mimodipine.
    Pharmaceutical compsns. contg. the complex are also claimed.
    USE/ADVANTAGE - The complex has sufficient water-solubility to be used in both quick release ans sustained release compsns., is stable over a wide temp. range, and has higher bioavailability than known systems. (I) are calcium channel blockers.
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Abstract (Equivalent): EP 317780 B
    New complex comprises a 1, 4-dihydropyridine (I) complexed with a block polyoxyethylene-polyoxypropylene A-B-A copolymer of mol. wt. 1000-16,000 and contg. 10-80 wt.% oxyethylene terminal block units. Prefd. (I) of formula (IA); where R1= aryl; R2, R3=carboxy or ester gp.; R4, R5=H, CN, lower alkyl or substd. lower alkyl where the substit is CN, OH, acyloxy, hydroxyi hydroxyimino, hydrazono, lower

alkoxyimino, lower hydroxyalkylimini, hydrazino, lower hydroxyalkylamino, N'-or N', N'-di(lower)alkylamino (lower) alkylamino, a 5- or 6-membered satd. N-contg. heterocyclic-1-yl opt. contg. OH, lower alkyl or lower hydroxyalkyl, or oxo where the so-formed carbonyl is opt. protected, provided that when the of R4 and R5 is H or lower alkyl, both are CN or substd. lower alkyl, or R4 is H or lower alkyl and R3 and R5 are combined to form -CO-O-CH (R6)-, -CO-NH-N=CH-, -CO-NR7-CH2- or -CO-O-N=CH-; and R6=H or Me; and R7=2-diethylaminoethyl or 2-hydroxyethyl. Esp. prefd. (I) are nilvadipine, nitrendipine, nisoldipine, niludipine, nicardipine, nifedipine, felodipine and mimodipine.

Pharmaceutical compsns. contg. the complex are also claimed.

USE/ADVANTAGE - The complex has sufficient water-solubility to be used in both quick release ans sustained release compsns., is stable over a wide temp. range, and has higher bioavailability than known systems. (I) are calcium channel blockers. (18pp Dwg.No.0/7)
Abstract (Equivalent): US 5160734 A

Complex comprises a 1,4-dihydropyridine (II) complexed with a block copolymer of formula HO(CH2CH2O)a(CH2CH(Me)O)b(CH2CH2O)CH (I) obtd. by reacting a 1:1-1:10 ratio of (II) to (I) at 25-90 deg.C and recovering is in the formula, a, b and c are selected to provide a mol.wt. of 1000-16000 and 10-80 wt.% oxyethylene units.

Specifically, (II) is pref. e.g. nilvadipine, nitrendipine, nisoldipine, nitudipine, nicardipine, nifedipine, felodipine or numodipine or a cpd. of formula (II') where R1 is aryl; R2 and R3 are ester or COOH gps. R4 and R5 are H, CN or opt. substd. lower alkyl; or R4 is H or lower alkyl and R3 and R5 is C(=O)O-C(R6)H-, C(=O)NH-N=CH-, C(=O)N(R7)CH2- or C(=O)ONCH2. USE/ADVANTAGE - For quick release and sustained release of (II) after oral admin. The complexes deliver (II) in a bioavailable form over periods of 10 mins to 24 hrs. (Dwg.0/7)
Derwent Class: A96; B03; B04; P33
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International Patent Class (Additional): A61J-000/00; A61K-009/28; A61K-047/34; C07D-211/90; C08G-081/00; C08L-071/00

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Emulsion compsn. for sparingly soluble drug admin. - contg. benzyl alcohol co-solvent, prevents local pptn. and gives quick drug release
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CA 1272447	A	19900807				199037	
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Abstract (Basic): EP 215313 A
     Compsn. for delivery of hydrophobic drugs (I) comprises (I),
oleaginous vehicle or oil phase, surfactant or emulsifier,
co-surfactant or auxiliary emulsifier, and benzyl alcohol as
co-solvent. (I) may be a sparingly water-soluble ionisable solid or
water-insol. viscous oily liq., and may be a basic drug having an
ionisation constant upto the physiological pH or an acid drug which has
an ionisation constant above or near the physiological pH.
     Specified (I) include bis(2-imidazolin -2-ylhydrazone)
-9,10-anthracene dicarboxyaldehyde; (antitumour agent US4258181) and
3-(4,6-bis- ((1,1,2,2- tetramethylpropyl) amino)-s-triazin-2-yl)
-3-azebicyclo(3.2.2) nonane (anti-arthritic agent, US4261892).
     ADVANTAGE - Compsn. is quick breaking and can be administered,
i.v., im., p.o. or intraarticularly, for delivery of a variety of
drugs. Local pptn. of the drug is prevented without the necessity for
covalent modification and repeating of pharmaceutical, toxicological,
pharmacological, pharmacokinetic data, etc.. Harmful side effects are
avoided. Benzyl alcohol may also function as co-surfactant and/or
bacteriostat.
     0/2
Abstract (Equivalent): EP 215313 B
     A pharmaceutical composition for delivery of hydrophobic drugs
comprising: (a) a hydrophobic drug Bis(2-imidazol-2-yl hydrazone)-9,10
-anthracenedicarboxaldehyde or 3-(4,6-bis((1,1,2,2,-tetramethyl-
propyl)amino)-s-triazin-2-yl)- 3-azabicyclo(3,2,2)nonane; (b) a
pharmaceutically accceptable oleaginous vehicle selected from sesame
oil, peanut oil, olive oil, safflower oil, soybean oil, benzyl
benzoate, mono, di or triglycerides; (c) a surfactant selected from egg
or soy lecithins, egg or soy phospholipids, egg phosphatidyl
ethanolamine, phosphatidic acid, plant monogalactosyl diglyceride
(hydrogenated), plant digalactosyl diglyceride,
dihexanoyl-L-alpha-lecithin dioctanoyl-L-alpha-lecithin,
didecanoyl-L-alpha-lecithin, didodecanoyl-L-alpha-lecithin,
ditetradecanoyl-L-alpha-lecithin, dihexadecanoyl-L-alpha-lecithin,
dioctadecanoyl-L-alpha-lecithin, dioleoyl-L-alpha-lecithin,
dilinoleoyl-L-alpha-lecithin, alpha-palmito,
beta-oleoyl-L-alpha-lecithin, L-alpha-glycerophosphoryl choline,
sorbitan triisostearate, triglycerol diisostearate, triglycerol or
surfactants based on polyoxyethylated hydrocarbons or vegetable oils;
(d) a co-surfactant selected from saturated or unsaturated aliphatic
acids, caproic, enanthic, caprylic, capric, lauric, palmitic, stearic
arachidonic, arachidic, oleic, linoleic or linolenic; (e) benzyl
alcohol as a co-solvent; (f) optionally, a cryoprotectant or toxicity
modifier selected from glycerol, lactose or mannitol or an antioxidant
such as d,l-alpha-tocopherol or an emulsion stabiliser, (g) water.
(Dwg.0/2)a
Abstract (Equivalent): US 4784845 A
     Emulsion compsn. of matter for delivery by hydrophobic drugs
comprises (a) a hydrophobic drug; (b) an oleaginous vehicle or oil
phase free of preservatives BHT or BHA; (c) a co-surfactant or
emulsifier; (d) a co-surfactant or auxiliary emulsifier; and (e) benzyl
alcohol or co-solvent.
     Cpd. (a) is a sparingly water-soluble liq. basic drug of ionisation
constant lower or nearer the physiological pH, or acid drug of
ionisation constant higher or nearer the physiological pH. Pref. cpd.
(a) is e.g.
bis(2-imidazolin-2-ylhydrazone)-9,10-anthracenedicarboxaldehyde, etc.
     USE - Used for quick breaking in vivo, intravenous, intramuscular,

intraarticular fat e█ision compsns. (15pp)
Derwent Class: B07; P33
International Patent Class (Main): A61K-009/10; A61K-031/415
International Patent Class (Additional): A61J-000/00; A61K-009/107;
  A61K-031/41; A61K-031/55; A61K-047/00

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DIALOG(R)File 350:Derwent WPIX
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007073922
WPI Acc No: 1987-073919/198711
 **Quick releasing emulsion compsn. contg. hydrophobic drug(s) - contains
 oleaginous vehicle, aliphatic or aromatic acid or amine, emulsifier,
 auxiliary emulsifier and water**
Patent Assignee: AMERICAN CYANAMID CO (AMCY)
Inventor: CARPENTIER E A; DESAI N R; **GANESAN M** ; SHINAL E C; CARPENTER E A
Number of Countries: 021 Number of Patents: 014
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NO 8603620	A	19870406				198720	
FI 8603664	A	19870312				198723	
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DE 3686797	G			A61K-009/10	Based on patent EP 214501

Abstract (Basic): EP 214501 A
     Compsn. for delivery of hydrophobic drug(s) comprises (a) a
   hydrophobic drug(s) (I); (b) an oleaginous vehicle or oil selected from
   naturally occurring vegetable oils and semi-synthetic mono-, di- and
   tri-glycerides; (c) surfactant or emulsifier; (d) co-surfactant or
   auxiliary emulsifier; (e) as ion-pair-former, 6-20C opt. unsatd.
   aliphatic or aromatic acid when (I) is basic, or an aliphatic or
   aromatic amine when (I) is acidic; and (f) water.
     USE/ADVANTAGE - The compsns. are quick breaking in vivo and so
   quick (I)-releasing, and they give a (I)-delivery liquid system and it
   circumvents the local pptn. of (I) without covalent modifications being
   made. The compsns. are suitable for intravenous, intramuscular,
   intra-articular or oral admin. to humans and animals without side
   reactions. They have good storage stability in vitro.
     0/7
Abstract (Equivalent): EP 214501 B
     A composition of matter for delivery of basic hydrophobic drugs
   comprising (% w/v) Basic Hydrophobic Drug 0.01-5.0, Soybean Oil
   3.0-20.0, Sesame Oil (super-refined) 0.0-5.0, Oleic Acid N. 0.2-4.0,

Hexanoic Acid - shor[■]r long chain fatty acid to for[■]n ion-pair 0.0-0.50, Polyvinylpyrrolidone 0.0-0.2, Soy or Egg Lecithin-emulsifier 0.25-2.0, Polyoxyethylated vegetable oil 0.0-1.0, dl-c-Tocopherol 0.0-0.05, Glycerine U.S.P. 0.5-2.25 and Water qs ad 100, wherein the hydrophobic drug may be a sparingly water soluble ionizable solid or a water insoluble viscous oily liquid and/or may be a basic drug which has an ionisation constant lower or nearer the physiological pH and optionally further comprising benzyl alcohol as a preservative. (Dwg.0/7)s

Abstract (Equivalent): US 4816247 A

     Compsns. for intravenous, intramuscular or intraarticular delivery of hydrophotic drugs comprise; (a) a hydrophotic drug; (b) a pharmaceutically acceptable vehicle consisting of a natural vegetable oil or a semisynthetic mono-, di- or triglyceride, the vehicle being free of BHT or BHA; (c) a surfactant or auxiliary emulsifier; (e) an ion-pair former consisting of a 6-20C opt. unsatd. aliphatic or aromatic acid when the drug is basic and of an aliphatic or aromatic amine when the drug is acidic; and (f) water.

     ADVANTAGE - The compsns. quickly release the drugs but avoid local precipitation of the drugs without the need for modifying their structure. (22pp)i

Derwent Class: B07

International Patent Class (Main): A61K-009/10

International Patent Class (Additional): A61K-031/53; A61K-047/00; B01F-000/00

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S11       1       S10 NOT PD=>980901
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A little data to spice up the HTML soup
  Frey, Anthony
  Network Computing , February 15, 1997 , v8 n3 p150-155, 6 Page(s)
  ISSN: 1046-4468
  Languages: English
  Document Type: Buyer and Vendor Guide
  Hardware/Software Compatibility: IBM PC Compatible; Unix workstation
  Geographic Location: United States
  Presents a buyers' guide to Web-DBMS data access software tools.
Features a table **comparing** the **price** , operating systems support, Web
server interfaces used, DRBMS APIs and middleware supported, support for
full data manipulation language, HTML incorporation and generation method,
support for data access scripting languages, support for persistent or
cached database connections, and **availability** of client **state**
 management support services of 36 **products** from 33 companies. Contains
vendor contact information. Includes a screen display and a sidebar. (dpm)
    Descriptors: Data Base Management; **Vendor** Guide; Software Tools;
 Internetworking; **Web   Browsers**

06663407
Citibank first in the region to offer SET to XA=cardholders and merc\
  SINGAPORE: CITIBANK LAUNCHED SET 1.0
Retail Asia (ABD)   Jun 1998 P.24
Language: ENGLISH

Citibank Singapore has launched the first SET (Secure Electronic
Transactions) 1.0 to Visa cardholders and merchants in Singapore. SET is
believed to be 1 of the most technologically-advanced payment systems for
on-line transactions. It is unique from its predecessors due to its special
software known as 'digital certificates' which authenticate the cardholder,
the merchant and their banking relationship. Citibank is the first bank to
offer the new payment channel to cardholders and merchants in Singapore as
well as in the region. Electronic commerce should take off as about US$ 186
bn consumer sales are expected to be conducted via the internet by 2005.
Thus, it is vital to ensure that consumers are able to transact safely via
the net with their credit cards. SET should set the cardholders' minds at
ease to use credit cards for **online** **shopping** . **Merchants** , thus, would
have access to millions of potential customers and enjoy lower **costs** of
operation **online** as **compared** to a physical **store** . Citibank is
confident that half of its cardholders would have encryption and
identification software for purchasing **goods** from SET merchant malls
across the globe.

COMPANY: INTERNET; CITIBANK SINGAPORE

EVENT: Plant/Facilities/Equipment (44);
COUNTRY: Singapore (9SIN); United States (1USA);

06605320
A la busqueda del consumidor del siglo XXI
  SPAIN: CHANGING CONSUMER HABITS
Expansion (EXN)   25 Mar 1998 p.10
Language: SPANISH

According to a report conducted by French bank Fimestic, habits are
changing among consumers. With better education and increased earnings,
Spanish consumers are buying more and better than ever. Spaniards have
access to new information channels, such as the **Internet** , which allows
them to **compare** **prices** before **shopping** . The consumer is looking for
service, price and quality in that particular order. **Products** should be
personalised. Spaniards continue to prefer the neighbourhood shops for
clothing. For furniture they go to large specialised retail stores.
Neighbourhood shops belonging to a national chain are the favourite for
domestic appliances. Large shopping centres with specialised shops are also
catching on. The Fimestic report indicates that consumption in Spain will
continue growing at a rate of 3.2%, above the average EU rate of 2.5%.

COMPANY: FIMESTIC; FIMESTIC
PRODUCT: Consumer Expenditures (8820); Personal Consumption Expend (E3110
); Sales & Orders (E4200); Marketing (9914); Retail Trade (5200);
EVENT: Marketing Procedures (24);
COUNTRY: Spain (4SPA);

06578992
Plato to stir up Olap price wars
  UK: LIKELY EFFECTS OF INTRODUCTION OF PLATO
Computing (CNG)   29 Jan 1998 p.24
Language: ENGLISH

There is a general consensus that the introduction of Plato, the On-line
analytical (Olap) software from Microsoft in September 1998 will lead to
prices for **comparable** **products** being slashed. Keith Dean the UK
managing director of Information Advantage, the Olap **server** **vendor** ,
believes that the market will polarise into high and low-end according to
customers' needs after the low cost Plato is introduced. Nigel Pendse, who
wrote the Olap Report, however, sees a delay of perhaps six months as
people take stock of the new software before committing themselves to it.
The report also predicts that in the medium term, vendors of client
products, such as Business Objects and Brio will do well out of Olap, but
that <the US-based software giant> will move into their area after a period
of time and take market share. Only small companies that can find an
innovative application for Plato will benefit. ISVs and VARs might profit
from Olap too, since it is cheap enough for them to embed in applications
for the first time.
COMPANY: BRIO; BUSINESS OBJECTS; INFORMATION ADVANTAGE; MICROSOFT

PRODUCT: Computer Services (7370);
EVENT: Product Design & Development (33); Market & Industry News (60);
COUNTRY: United Kingdom (4UK); United States (1USA);

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DIALOG(R)File 583:Gale Group Globalbase(TM)
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06535303
Un supermarchZ du sud-est sur Internet
  FRANCE: A CODEC SUPERMARKET ON THE INTERNET
Produits Frais (PRF)   Oct 1997 p.23
Language: FRENCH

Codecnet, which can be accessed on hhtp www.codecnet.com is a new Internet
service enabling people to do their shopping at the office, using their
micro-computer, or at home with a television equipped with a box. This
service has been set up by the manager of the Codec supermarket at
Castelnau-le-Lez, near Montpellier, in order to alleviate the lack of local
shops in the villages and to enable busy people to do their shopping
without having to go to the store. A secure payment system has been
developed with the CrZdit Mutuel. There are 1,500 **products** available,
with photo, description, recipes, nutritional advice, and **price**
comparisons . The order reaches the **store** by **electronic** mail, and is
delivered within two hours in the Montpellier region, and during the day in
the rest of France. This service enables customers to talk with the people
in charge of the departments in supermarkets.

COMPANY: CODEC
PRODUCT: Mail Order Houses (5961); Food Retailing (5400);
EVENT: General Management Services (26); Product Design & Development (
33); Plant/Facilities/Equipment (44);
COUNTRY: France (4FRA);

17/5/5   (Item 5 from file: 583)
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04132685
ELECTRONIC SHOPPING DATABASE USED BY INSURERS
  UK - ELECTRONIC SHOPPING DATABASE USED BY INSURERS
Financial Times (C) 1991 (FT)   7 March 1991 p33

Comp-U-Card (US), electr⬤ic shopping firm, and Alphabet ⬤heltenham, UK),
product information specialist, both offer a database which contains
product information used for **electronic** **shopping** but increasingly
useful to insurers to **compare** **prices** put on claims and those recorded
in the database at the time of the purchase. The insurance firms have
introduced the use of databases in an effort to detect fraud and reduce the
cost of theft and domestic property claims which increased by 30% in the
first half of 1990, according to the Association of British Insurers. The
databases contain information on over 30k products ranging from motor
vehicles to electrical goods.
Copyright: Financial Times Ltd 1991

PRODUCT: Computers In Insurance Industry (3573II); Teletext Services (
4811TT); Directories (7375DC); Computer Services (COSV);
EVENT: MARKET & INDUSTRY NEWS (60);
COUNTRY: United Kingdom (4UK); OECD Europe (415); NATO Countries (420);
    South East Asia Treaty Organisation (913);

  17/5/6   (Item 1 from file: 2)
DIALOG(R)File   2:INSPEC
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6138614
 Title: Call your agent for online shopping
  Author(s): Wilder, C.
  Journal: InformationWEEK   no.712   p.126, 128
  Publisher: CMP Media Inc,
  Publication Date: 7 Dec. 1998 Country of Publication: USA
  CODEN: INFWE4 ISSN: 8750-6874
  SICI: 8750-6874(19981207)712L.126:CYAO;1-8
  Material Identity Number: I819-1998-019
  Language: English   Document Type: Journal Paper (JP)
  Treatment: Economic aspects (E)
  Abstract: The concept of intelligent agents-software programs that will
automatically deliver exactly what a network or database user is looking
for-has been a major focus of computer research labs for years. But the
popularity of the World Wide Web has created the most fertile ground ever
for the commercial application of agent technology: shopping agents, or
"bots", that do automatic **comparative** **price** **shopping** on the **Web** .
The providers of agents talk about their great potential for
business-to-business commerce, particularly for commodity **items** . But so
far, the most serious business use of agent technology is in consumer
shopping on the Web. A variety of agents are available to search for the
lowest prices on everything from Beanie Babies to digital video players to
high-end PCs. But not all online merchants are enamored of agent technology
or its effect on electronic commerce. (0 Refs)
  Subfile: D
  Descriptors: electronic commerce; home shopping; information resources;
software agents
  Identifiers: intelligent agents; software programs; online shopping;
database user; network user; World Wide Web; commercial application;
shopping agents; bots; automatic comparative price shopping;
business-to-business commerce; commodity items; consumer shopping; online
merchants; electronic commerce
  Class Codes: D2140 (Marketing, retailing and distribution); D2080 (
Information services and database systems)
  Copyright 1999, IEE

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5426927
 Title: Building the price-wise Web site
  Author(s): Hise, P.
  Journal: Inc   vol.18, no.12   p.112

Abstract: Don't overspend on the World Wide Web. Here's how to avoid
three of the most common costly mistakes: mistake 1: hiring a high-priced
designer. Mistake 2: buying a special "Web server" computer. Mistake 3:
getting lost in the hype. Keep asking yourself, how will this thing earn
its keep? How will I measure its effectiveness? **Compare   prices** , and
demand the same reliability in **products** and services that you would from
any **vendor** . Expect your **Web** site to change constantly. Unfortunately,
many companies don't plan for site changes. They sink too much money into
the site up front and then go over budget when it's time to start editing.
It's wiser to think of a Web site as a long-term project-and thus rein in
your up-front spending. (0 Refs)
   Subfile: D
   Descriptors: commerce; costing; Internet
   Identifiers: World Wide Web; Web site; prices; reliability; Web site
changes; editing; long-term project
   Class Codes: D2010 (Business and professional); D2080 (Information
services and database systems)

   17/5/8   (Item 3 from file: 2)

   Title: Mr. Bell gains Canadian namesake (videotex service)
   Abstract: By producing ALEX, the first North American videotex service
offered by a major telco, Bell Canada enabled users to conduct business and
personal transactions while never leaving the comfort of their homes. With
applications that range from **comparing   prices** and ordering **merchandise**
 to playing **electronic** games, the **online** , interactive service-named in
honor of Alexander Graham Bell-is becoming a popular addition to a growing
number of Canadian households. For example, using ALEX, customers can
choose to check the balance of their bank accounts, preview movie listings,
reserve seats for local entertainment or sporting events, make restaurant
reservations, shop at home, check stock market prices, or consult road
conditions. The system serves as an information gateway to more than 260
applications offered by 70 service providers. (0 Refs)
   Subfile: B C D
   Descriptors: viewdata
   Identifiers: online service; North America; ALEX; videotex service; Bell
Canada; business; personal transactions; Alexander Graham Bell; bank
accounts; entertainment; sporting events; restaurant reservations; stock
market prices; road conditions; information gateway; service providers
   Class Codes: B6210K (Viewdata and teletext); C7210 (Information services
and centres); D4090 (Viewdata and teletext)

   17/5/9   (Item 1 from file: 233)

   How to save money on software
   Goldsborough, Reid

Company Name: Computer Shopper; Recycled Software; Software House
International; Ace Software
URL: http://www.netbuyer.com
Product Name: NetBuyer
Languages: English
Document Type: Buyer and Vendor Guide
Geographic Location: United States
PERSONAL COMPUTING column focuses on ways to obtain software for less
than full price, noting that **Web** sites such as Computer **Shopper** 's
NetBuyer automate the process of **comparing prices** of the same **product**
from different vendors. Attention is given to Recycled Software (800),
which buys used software for resale, virus-checks each program, and ensures
that all disks are included. States that most of its programs can be
registered or upgraded. Indicates that Software House (800) selects what it
regards as the best shareware titles and charges $2.99 for each title, plus
$4 shipping and handling. Suggests that the fastest way to obtain shareware
is through the Internet. Reports that Ace Software Express (800) offers
discounts on Windows and Macintosh software to students, teachers, and – in
some cases – seniors and nonprofit organizations. Attention is given to
computer shows and to previewing and renting software. (jo)
Descriptors: Software; Purchasing; Used Software; Shareware; Online
Information; Consumer Information; Electronic Commerce
Identifiers: NetBuyer; Computer Shopper; Recycled Software; Software
House International; Ace Software

17/5/10 (Item 2 from file: 233)
DIALOG(R)File 233:Internet & Personal Comp. Abs.
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00472147 97DC09-001
**What's it really worth? -- International prices for U.S. products are
all over the map. Vendors claim it's out of their control. Fight back with
the facts.**
Heywood, Peter; Saunders, Stephen
Data Communications , September 1, 1997 , v26 n11 p56-68, 11 Page(s)
ISSN: 0363-6399
Languages: English
Document Type: Articles, News & Columns
Geographic Location: United States
Presents an international **price comparison** of 26 **networking**
products from 17 U.S. **vendors** . **Compares** the **prices** of the same
products in 11 countries, noting how international **prices compare** to
those in the U.S. Reports a heavy inflation in international markets, with
a variance of as much as 100 percent from one country to another. Indicates
that companies tend to charge what an individual market will bear,
regardless of the original list price. Notes the markup between list and
recommended retail prices and suggests steps to avoid overpayment. Also
notes fluctuations in the amount of discounts offered to buyers. Says that
vendors claim currency fluctuations and shipping costs as the reason for
high markups. Discusses gray marketing, or buying a product in the country
in which its price is lowest. Notes that price markups are simply a part of
everyday business and take place in every type of indu Includes two tables,
one diagram, three graphs, and two sidebar (kgh)
Descriptors: Consumer Information; International; Survey; Purchasing;
Corporate Strategy; Networks; Price

17/5/11 (Item 3 from file: 233)
DIALOG(R)File 233:Internet & Personal Comp. Abs.
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00471200 97IT09-039
**If you're shopping for CD-ROM drives -- You will most likely find the
best drive at the best price on the Web**
Jacso, Peter

CD-ROM COMMENTARIES column discusses **shopping** for a CD-ROM drive on
the **Web** . Points out that the prices on CD-ROM drives can vary greatly
from one dealer to another, and claims that the Web provides the most
up-to-date features at the best prices. Mentions several online
publications where the buyer can retrieve information on **products** ,
including EMedia professional from Online, Inc., and **price comparison**
resources such as **PriceWatch** . Focuses on Computer **Shopper** 's NetBuyer
Web site on which the visitor is led through an interview which provides
them with information on the best products for their intended uses. Calls
Web-based CD-ROM shopping easy and efficient, and emphasizes that it
provides the most informed purchase. Includes two screen displays. (kgh)
    Descriptors: Electronic Shopping; CD-ROM; Web Sites; Information
Sources; Marketing
    Identifiers: EMedia Professional; PriceWatch; NetBuyer; Online;
Computer Shopper

 17/5/12   (Item 4 from file: 233)

 **IP telephy gateways: long distance with a local touch -- Placing calls
over the 'Net will make for big savings - so get the goods on the gateways
now**
    Greenfield, David
    Presents a buyers' guide to Internet telephony gateways. Features a
table **comparing** the **availability** , architecture, interfaces, maximum
ports, message types supported, and price per port of nine **products** from
nine companies. Contains **vendor** contact information. Reports that an IP
telephony **network** can be tailored to handle additional services. Adds
that some vendors are developing technologies that will enable LAN-based
PBXes that can run call-management, accounting, and billing software. Notes
that a call management agent server permits configuring user profiles
defining where and how they can be contacted. Includes two photos and a
diagram. (dpm)
    Descriptors: Telephony; Vendor Guide; Software Review; Gateway;
 Internet; Local Area Networks

 17/5/13   (Item 5 from file: 233)

 **New Web tools help servers link to legacy data -- Making the
database-Web connection can be as simple or as complicated as you choose**
    Streeter, April
    Presents a buyers' guide to Web-based database connectivity tools for
the Macintosh. Features a table **comparing** the **price** , **product** type,

database supported, hardware required, software required and features of 15 **products** from 12 companies. Includes **vendor** contact information. Contains the sidebar ``**Online Commerce** : Mac-based Cyberstores'' (p25) by April Streeter which covers Web-based electronic commerce software for the Macintosh. Includes a photo. (dpm)
    Descriptors: Data Base Management; Vendor Guide; Web Sites; Software Tools; Macintosh; Electronic Commerce; Database

   17/5/14   (Item 6 from file: 233)
DIALOG(R)File 233:Internet & Personal Comp. Abs.

00441694   96PK11-004
   Net server enables flexible E-commerce
   Sullivan, Eamonn
   PC WEEK , November 4, 1996 , v13 n44 p1, 140, 2 Page(s)
   ISSN: 0740-1604
   Company Name: Microsoft
   Product Name: Merchant Server 1.0
   Languages: English
   Document Type: Software Review
   Grade (of Product Reviewed): B
   Geographic Location: United States
   Presents a favorable review of **Merchant Server** 1.0 ($18,490), an **Internet server** for commercial services from Microsoft Corp. of Redmond, WA (800). Runs on up to 64 computers. Says this **product** is **comparatively** well- **priced** , is easy to use and install, and includes ActiveX and Netscape plug-ins for managing credit-card information. Adds that it can be configured around existing inventory and order databases. Notes however that customization, while possible, is complex. Concludes that ``for a first release product, it has unusual depth.'' Includes one screen display. (phi)
    Descriptors: Server; Software Review; Internet
    Identifiers: Merchant Server 1.0; Microsoft

   17/5/15   (Item 7 from file: 233)
DIALOG(R)File 233:Internet & Personal Comp. Abs.

00430209   96LA07-107
   With today's crop of 10/100 adapters, price is everything
   Parnell, Tere'
   LAN Times , July 22, 1996 , v13 n16 p65-67, 3 Page(s)
   ISSN: 1040-5917
   Languages: English
   Document Type: Buyer and Vendor Guide
   Hardware/Software Compatibility: IBM PC Compatible; Unix workstation
   Geographic Location: United States
   Presents a buyers' guide to network adapter cards. Features a table **comparing** the **price** , full-duplex capability, auto-detection method, ease of installation, **vendor** telephone number and toll-free number, **vendor Web** site address and e-mail address, and **vendor** founding year of 19 **products** from 19 companies. Says the similarities among the NICs are more apparent than their differences. Adds that driver support is constantly expanding, and recommends choosing the card with the best feature set and lowest price. Includes a sidebar. (dpm)
    Descriptors: Network Interface Cards; Vendor Guide; Network Management

   17/5/16   (Item 8 from file: 233)
DIALOG(R)File 233:Internet & Personal Comp. Abs.

00418311   96DC03-102
   Third-generation LAN switch debuts -- Acacia's DSP-based LANswitch 2400EX performs like an ASIC switch but can be upgraded via software

Roberts, Erica
Data Communications , March 21, 1996 , v25 n4 p30-31, 2 Page(s)
Company Name: Acacia Networks
Product Name: Acacia LANswitch 2400EX
Languages: English
Document Type: Hardware Review
Grade (of Product Reviewed): B
Hardware/Software Compatibility: IBM PC Compatible; Unix workstation
Geographic Location: United States
    Presents a favorable review of the LANswitch 2400EX ($5,995 base price),
an Ethernet switch from Acacia Networks Inc. of Wilmington, MA (617). Says
it is a DSP-based product that combines the best of both ASIC- and
CPU-based devices. Adds that it is easily upgraded through software, can be
stacked to create a 280-port device with three levels of RMON capabilities,
and **costs** less than **comparable products** . However, says it operates
only in **store** -and-forward mode, and has limited **virtual** LAN
functionality. Calls it a **product** that has a big edge over its ASIC
counterparts. Includes a diagram and a summary card. (dpm)
    Descriptors: Ethernet; Hardware Review; Network Management; Data
Transmission; Peripherals; Switches
    Identifiers: Acacia LANswitch 2400EX; Acacia Networks

  17/5/17   (Item 9 from file: 233)
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00384902   95PI05-298
  **The versatile network operating system -- A new wave of network
operating systems rolls in. But will these NOSs replace or complement the
one you're with now?**
    Lipschutz, Robert P; Crawford, Tim M; Danielle, Diane; Frank, Robert
D
    PC Magazine , May 30, 1995 , v14 n10 p228-258, 19 Page(s)
    Company Name: Microsoft; Novell; IBM Corp.; Banyan Systems
    Product Name: Microsoft Windows NT Server; NetWare 3.12; NetWare 4.1;
 OS/2 LAN Server Entry; VINES
    Languages: English
    Document Type: Buyer and Vendor Guide
    Grade (of Product Reviewed): B; C; A; B; B
    Hardware/Software Compatibility: IBM PC Compatible
    Geographic Location: United States
    Introduces a **vendor** guide to **network** operating systems. Features a
table comparing 86 features of six **products** from four vendors. Also
features a table **comparing prices** categorized by the number of clients
and servers for all six products. Includes a review of the following:
Microsoft Windows NT Server v3.5 from Microsoft Corp.; NetWare v3.12 from
Novell Inc.; NetWare v4.1 from Novell Inc., voted PC Magazine's Editors'
Choice; OS/2 LAN Server 4.0 Entry and OS/2 LAN Server Advanced from IBM
Corp.; and VINES v5.54 from Banyan Systems Inc. Discusses criteria for
inclusion in the review, along with the costs associated with an upgrade.
Includes six sidebars highlighting the following: tasks common to all NOSs;
focus on NetWare 4.1; integrating client/server software with LANs;
discussion of application server software; benchmark test results; and a
discussion of advanced network services. Includes four graphs, two
diagrams, five screen displays, and five ``suitability to task'' rating
tables. (CH)
    Descriptors: Network Operating Systems; Client-Server Computing;
 Network Management; Window Software; Awards; Software Review; Vendor
Guide
    Identifiers: Microsoft Windows NT Server; NetWare 3.12; NetWare 4.1;
 OS/2 LAN Server Entry; VINES; Microsoft; Novell; IBM Corp.; Banyan
Systems

  17/5/18   (Item 10 from file: 233)

00334249   93MA12-118
**Improving Finder functionality -- The Finder's limitations have inspired
developers to design utilities to better manage desktops**
   Stevens, Larry
   MacWEEK , December 13, 1993 , v7 n48 p71-74, 3 Page(s)
   ISSN: 0892-8118
   Languages: English
   Document Type: Buyer and Vendor Guide
   Geographic Location: United States
   Presents a buyer's guide to Finder utility bundles for Macintosh
machines. Features a table **comparing   price** and bundled utilities of 7
 products from 7 companies. Lists **vendor** telephone and **electronic** mail
numbers. Includes a table. (tbc)
   Descriptors: Utility Program; Macintosh; Consumer Information; Vendor
Guide; Operating Systems

   17/5/19   (Item 11 from file: 233)

00143401   87CO05-001
   The new music
   Bateman, Selby
   Compute! , May 1987 , v9 n5 p18-22, 26-30, 36-37, 9 Pages
   ISSN: 0194-357X
   Languages: English
   Document Type: Article
   Geographic Location: United States
   Discusses new musical technology and computers. Describes MIDI--the
Musical Instrument Digital Interface. Says that most computer users can use
MIDI without being technical wizards. Cites professional musicians who are
taking advantage of MIDI. Examines some of the hardware and software
innovations that have aided the use of computers for music composition.
Provides a glossary of **electronic** music terms. Includes a **vendor** guide
 comparing   price , system the **product** runs on, and description of over
50 music software packages.
   Descriptors: MUSIC;   INTERFACE;   MUSICAL INSTRUMENT;   DEFINITIONS;
VENDOR GUIDE

   17/5/20   (Item 1 from file: 256)

00101771   DOCUMENT TYPE: Review

PRODUCT NAMES: E-Commerce (836109)

TITLE: 'Net Shopping for 1997
AUTHOR: Delmonico, Dayna
SOURCE: Communications Week,   v645 p44(6) Jan 13, 1997
ISSN: 0746-8121

RECORD TYPE: Review
REVIEW TYPE: Product Analysis
GRADE: Product Analysis, No Rating

 Electronic   commerce software **products** are **compared** for: **price** ;
availability ; platform compatibility; clients; features supported (other
required software, CGI support, application programming interface API
development, secure server, Secure Sockets Layer support, secure Hypertext
Transfer Protocol HTTP support, electronic data interchange EDI support,
Secure Electronic Transaction SET support, multithreaded processing, form
processing, and inter-merchant trade); and additional features. Business

opportunities engendered from electronic commerce and transaction
processing via the Internet promise staggeringly high returns, and just
about every commercial company, service provider, and vendor is vying for a
piece of the Internet pie. The surface of the World Wide Web's potential
has not yet been scratched, however, says an expert, and those who want to
partake of its riches in the future should get their action plans in motion
now. Security and secure transactions may be everyone's primary concern as
regards expansion of electronic commerce, but some say privacy issues are
more important. Security standards emerging include SET, SSL, and S-HTTP;
consumer buying is likely to depend upon SET. In addition to the new
standards, a new electronic banking alliance, Integration Financial
Network, has been created to increase consumer confidence. Privacy Assured,
an initiative launched by several Internet firms, is addressing the privacy
issue.

COMPANY NAME: Vendor Independent   (999999)
SPECIAL FEATURE: Buyers Guides
DESCRIPTORS: Internet Marketing; EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer);
    Communications Standards; Internet Utilities; Computer Security;
    Internet Security; E-Commerce
REVISION DATE: 20010331

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06514600
Save hits at fuel pump "bullies"
  UK: SAVE TO BENEFIT FROM PETROL PRICE INCREASES
Daily Telegraph (DT)   03 Sep 1997 p.28
Language: ENGLISH

Announcing a 15.8% drop in turnover to GBt 203mn, Save Group <UK>, the
independent petrol retailer, blamed the **Pricewatch** campaign of Esso, the
<UK based petroleum company> for its fall in sales. However, as the
 Pricewatch   campaign appears to be in decline, Save expect its sales to
pick up again. It has increased profits by 6.3% to GBt 4mn by maintaining
high price levels, but the company are critical of Esso's tactics of losing
money intentionally to the detriment of smaller businesses. Save predict
full year results to show increases on the GBt 10mn reported in 1996.

COMPANY: ESSO; SAVE GROUP

PRODUCT: Garages & Filling Stations (5541); Fuel & Ice Dealers (5980);
EVENT: Company Reports & Accounts (83); Marketing Procedures (24);
COUNTRY: United Kingdom (4UK);

21/5/2   (Item 2 from file: 583)
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06490786
'Mrs Wong' bids adieu to Park'N Shop
  HONG KONG: PARK'N 'S NEW PROMOTION CAMPAIGN
Media (XCP)   27 Jun 1997 p.3
Language: ENGLISH

In Hong Kong, the supermarket chain, Park'N Shop recently launched a new
advertising campaign called "Right for your family". During the promotion
period, 3 new initiatives had been introduced at each Park'N Shop. The 3
initiatives are: 1) Yellow Label **PriceWatch** , 2) Total Customer Service
and 3) EveryDay Fresh. *

COMPANY: PARK'N SHOP

PRODUCT: Food Retailing (5400);
EVENT: Public Affairs (29);
COUNTRY: Hong Kong (9HON);

21/5/3   (Item 3 from file: 583)
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06458633
TIGER LOSES ITS CLAWS
  UK: ESSO ISOLATED AMONG PETROL RETAILERS
Marketing Week (MW)   28 Mar 1997 p.37-38
Language: ENGLISH

Esso UK has denied rumours according to which the firm is considering
dropping its **Pricewatch** scheme, which was introduced in January 1996 and
is believed to have cost GBt 200mn, according to Wood Mackenzie, a
subsidiary of NatWest Markets. Esso has refused to comment on the GBt 200mn
figure and possibilities concerning its future strategy are fairly limited
because it is now positioned as a cut-price player of the market and that
any change would confuse customers. Moreover, despite the cost of the
scheme, Esso has won over 1mn weekly customers thanks to the scheme and the
company claims that **Pricewatch** is part of a long-term strategy.

Nevertheless it seems ●at rivals such as Shell and BP ●ve gained former
Esso customers when the firm decided to replace its tokens and replaced
them by the scheme under which the company promises to match the lower
price found within a radius of three miles. The petrol retailer is
particularly criticised for not having entered any partnership with any
retailer at a time when profits on petrol are decreasing and rivals have
decided to become superstations selling other products and services.

COMPANY: ESSO; ESSO

PRODUCT: Garages & Filling Stations (5541); Fuel & Ice Dealers (5980);
EVENT: Planning & Information (22); Marketing Procedures (24);
COUNTRY: United Kingdom (4UK);

21/5/4   (Item 4 from file: 583)
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06405772
Petrol price war blamed for spending freeze
  UK: PETROL STATIONS INVEST LESS IN EQUIPMENT
Financial Times (FT)   12 Dec 1996   p.8
Language: ENGLISH

A 48.8% fall to 1,243 units in sales was reported by the UK-based Petrol
Pump Manufacturers Association in the quarter to the end of September 1996
as petrol retailers reduced their capital investments during the price war
in order to maintain margins. UK petrol retailers are now predicted to
invest only GBt 120mn in capital in 1996 versus GBt 200mn in 1995. Petrol
retailer Shell has admitted that the continuation of the price war could
prevent the firm from maintaining its investment programme. However Esso,
which has been accused of starting the price war with its **PriceWatch**
 campaign, does not intend to abandon its policy.
(c) Financial Times 1996

COMPANY: SHELL; ESSO; PETROL PUMP MANUFACTURERS ASSN

PRODUCT: Garages & Filling Stations (5541); Fuel & Ice Dealers (5980);
EVENT: Capital Expenditure (43);
COUNTRY: United Kingdom (4UK);

21/5/5   (Item 5 from file: 583)
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06370586
Esso to drop **Pricewatch**
  UK: ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN FROM ESSO
Marketing Week (MW)   20 Sep 1996   p.7
Language: ENGLISH

Prior to the replacement of its **Pricewatch** campaign at Christmas 1996,
Esso, the petrol retailer, is to invest GBt 6mn in advertising to promote
its low-price petrol. Esso believes **Pricewatch** , which was aimed at
offering the lowest prices in a three-mail radius, gained the company 1mn
new customers. The campaign is expected to be replaced with a loyalty
scheme in 1997.

COMPANY: ESSO

PRODUCT: Garages & Filling Stations (5541); Fuel & Ice Dealers (5980);
EVENT: Marketing Procedures (24);
COUNTRY: United Kingdom (4UK);

21/5/6   (Item 6 from file: 583)

06286210
Frost claims petrol price war will kill independents
  UK: FROST GROUP CONCERNED OVER PETROL PRICE WAR
Independent (TI)   22 Mar 1996 p.16
Language: ENGLISH

James Frost, chairman of the UK largest independent petrol retailer, Frost
Group, has warned that the ongoing price war in petrol retail will mean a
loss of independent retailers and the invention of a market dominated by
large retailers. In issuing his comments, Mr Frost showed concern that
Frost Group, which has seen market share fall to four per cent from 4.7%
since the introduction of Esso's **Pricewatch** scheme, could become a very
attractive takeover target for companies wishing to enter the UK market.
Frost Group results for 1995 were: Table: Frost Group Figures in GBt mn .
Current Turnover 451 Pre-tax Profits 11 The pre-tax profits were marginally
up on 1994 while sales were approximately double.

COMPANY: ESSO; FROST GROUP; FROST GROUP

PRODUCT: Garages & Filling Stations (5541); Fuel & Ice Dealers (5980);
EVENT: Company Reports & Accounts (83); Marketing Procedures (24);
COUNTRY: United Kingdom (4UK);

  21/5/7   (Item 7 from file: 583)
DIALOG(R)File 583:Gale Group Globalbase(TM)

06262067
Petrol evaporate as petrol battle hits supermarkets
  UK: SUPERMARKETS HIT BY PETROL PRICE WAR?
Independent (TI)   02 Feb 1996 p. 5
Language: ENGLISH

Tesco will suffer a GBt 12mn shortfall in its <1997> profits as a result of
the petrol price war currently taking place in the UK, claims City broker
NatWest Securities. Esso's launch of its **Pricewatch** initiative during
January 1996 and resulting reduction in prices to 49.9p per litre in some
cases will have an adverse impact on petrol sales at other leading
supermarkets, including Safeway, Asda and Sainsbury. Tesco's petrol sales
earn it GBt 70mn or thereabouts per year but the volatile nature of the
market could have an impact, especially if prices are cut by another 1p.
Independent Petrol Retailers Association president Paul Sykes also voiced
fears for the smaller stations, saying that 45% of its 5,000 members could
collapse over the coming year and a half amid such intense competition.

COMPANY: SAINSBURY; SAFEWAY; ASDA; ESSO; NATWEST SECURITIES; TESCO;
INDEPENDENT PETROL RETAILERS ASSN
PRODUCT: Petrol (2911PE); Garages & Filling Stations (5541); Fuel & Ice
    Dealers (5980); Hypermarkets (5321); Grocery Stores (5411); Retail
    Trade (5200);
EVENT: Commodity & Service Prices (72); Market & Industry News (60);
    Company Reports & Accounts (83);
COUNTRY: United Kingdom (4UK);

  21/5/8   (Item 8 from file: 583)
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06235820
OFT looks into pricing at Esso
  UK: ESSO SELLS PETROL BELOW COST
Independent (TI)   30 Nov 1995 p.20
Language: ENGLISH

Following the petrol price increases introduced by the November 1995 Budget and the capture of a quarter of the UK market by supermarkets selling at low cost, the retailer, Esso, is selling at below cost rates in the north-eastern area of the UK and in Scotland. On the basis of the Petrol Retailers Association's forecast that 7,000 UK petrol outlets are to close over the two years from 1995, in addition to the 1,000 closures in 1995, the Office of Fair Trading <UK regulatory body> is investigating claims of anti-competitive behaviour by Esso. The **PriceWatch** campaign states the intention of the station to match prices with in a two mile radius.

COMPANY: ESSO; OFFICE OF FAIR TRADING; PETROL RETAILERS ASSN

PRODUCT: Petrol (2911PE);
EVENT: Commodity & Service Prices (72); National Government Economics (94); Planning & Information (22);
COUNTRY: United Kingdom (4UK);

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04324737
UBS AWARDS CONTRACT TO DEC
  SWITZERLAND - UBS AWARDS CONTRACT TO DEC
Dealing Technology Bulletin (DTB)   0 May 1991 p11

The Union Bank of Switzerland (UBS) has awarded DEC a contract for the provision of a trading system based on DEC's Trading System Architecture and the DECtrade platform which will be employed to distribute information and integrate various applications. These include Dealing System DESY, developed by UBS, DEC **PriceWatch** and OMR Systems' Trader Assistant along with third party and other in-house applications. DESY is employed for realtime position keeping/revaluation including exposure and portfolio management and direct deal entry. Trader Assistant will offer back office support. VAXstation 3100s running VMS will be employed as trader workstations and UBINET running DECnet, communications network of the bank, will form the base of the worldwide trading systems interconnect. Northern Bank (UK) has awarded a GBP5 mil three-year contract for the provision of a branch banking system. Northern Bank, the largest bank in Northern Ireland, is investing GBP30 mil in information technology and branch improvements.

PRODUCT: Electronic Financial Services Sys (3573EF); Electronic Banking Services (6005);
EVENT: CONTRACTS & ORDERS (61);
COUNTRY: United Kingdom (4UK); Switzerland (5SWI); OECD Europe (415); NATO
    Countries (420); European Free Trade Association Countries (511); South
    East Asia Treaty Organisation (913);

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02702308
ACCESS AND SPC IN JOINT SOFTWARE MARKETING PROJECT
  UK - ACCESS AND SPC IN JOINT SOFTWARE MARKETING PROJECT
Computergram International (CGI)   30 May 1989 p4
ISSN: 0268-716X

SPC Software Services of the US and Access Technology have set up a joint project for the development and marketing of software products for the financial market. A bridge between Access 20/20 and **Pricewatch** Digital Information Service will be developed to take real-time market data from **Pricewatch** and analyse within 20/20.

PRODUCT: Word Processors (3573WP); Financial Software (7372FS); CAD/CAM

Mechanical Software (COSW);
EVENT: MARKETING PROCEDURES (24);
COUNTRY: United States (1USA); United Kingdom (4UK); Northern Europe (414
); OECD Europe (415); NATO Countries (420); South East Asia Treaty
    Organisation (913);

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02676340
ACCESS AND SPC TO DEVELOP AND MARKET SOFTWARE PRODUCT
  UK - ACCESS AND SPC TO DEVELOP AND MARKET SOFTWARE PRODUCT
Infomatics Daily Bulletin (IDB)   16 May 1989   p3

SPC Software Services and Access Technology intend to develop and market
jointly a product incorporating the 20/20 spreadsheet and featuring the
Pricewatch service for financial traders.

PRODUCT: Financial Software (7372FS); CAD/CAM Mechanical Software (COSW);
EVENT: PRODUCTS, PROCESSES & SERVICES (30);
COUNTRY: United Kingdom (4UK); OECD Europe (415); NATO Countries (420);
    South East Asia Treaty Organisation (913);

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00248543   91MA09-305
  **Playing the cards in PC-LocalTalk hookups While the price of Localtalk
network interface cards is attractive, connecting and using PCs on the net
is not a project for the ...**
    Barron, Donna
    MacWEEK , September 24, 1991 , v5 n32 p49-50, 2 Pages
    ISSN: 0892-8118
    Company Name: Sitka; Novell
    Languages: English
    Document Type: Buyer and Vendor Guide
    Geographic Location: United States
    Presents an overview of network add-in cards which link PCs to Mac
LocalTalk networks. Profiles four different PC-Localtalk interface boards
and the various issues users must consider prior to purchase of such
add-ins. Includes a table listing features of each as well as a ''
PriceWatch '' comparing list and street prices of three of the four boards
featured in this article. Discusses reasons behind the retreat of Sitka
Corp. and Novell Inc. from the PC LocalTalk market. Sidebar examines the
growing trend towards Ethernet networks as an efficient alternative to
LocalTalk as well as its benefits and shortcomings. Lists vendors of
abovementioned products as well as their respective contact addresses.
Includes two tables and an illustration. (PAM)
    Descriptors: Board;   Networks;   Interface;   Add-on;   Consumer
Information; Macintosh; Vendor Guide
    Identifiers: Sitka; Novell

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00234932   91MA02-103
  **Projecting a better Macintosh image LCD projection panels and data
projectors let you display on the wall what you see on the Mac. Both are
handy when you need to ...**
    Stevens, Larry
    MacWEEK , February 12, 1991 , v5 n6 p59-61, 3 Pages
    ISSN: 0892-8118

Languages: English
Document Type: Buyer and Vendor Guide
Geographic Location: United States
Presents an overview of LCD projection panels and data projectors and discusses their indispensability in the office environment. Examines the different varieties of LCD projection panels as well as the various display features offered by each and provides several examples illustrating their versatility in the workplace. Compares and contrasts the operation of data projectors with that of LCD projection panels and discusses the limitations of both machines. Sidebar highlights remote control devices that encourage closer contact between presentor and audience. Presents also a ''
PriceWatch '' comparing list and street prices of four different Mac projection devices as well as a table differentiating characteristics of the four varieties of data-projection devices according to frequency. Lists vendors and their respective product featured in article at end. Includes two tables, an illustration and photo. (PAM)
Descriptors: Audio-visual Aids; Presentation Graphics; LCD; Peripherals; Consumer Information; Macintosh; Vendor Guide

21/5/14   (Item 1 from file: 256)
DIALOG(R)File 256:SoftBase:Reviews,Companies&Prods.
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00109703   DOCUMENT TYPE: Review

**PRODUCT NAMES: BargainFinder   (578789); Bottomdollar.com   (717533);
Netbuyer   (717541); Jango   (687511)**

TITLE: Shopbots: Shopping Robots for Electronic Commerce
AUTHOR: Jacso, Peter
SOURCE: Online Magazine,   v22 n4   p14(6) Jul/Aug 1998
ISSN: 0146-5422
HOMEPAGE: http://www.onlineinc.com

RECORD TYPE: Review
REVIEW TYPE: Product Analysis
GRADE: Product Analysis, No Rating

Shopping robots are personal shopping agents that assist consumers in finding a product over several electronic sites. Examples of these shopbots include MX BookFinder, **PriceWatch** , Bottom Dollar, Netbot's Jango, Ziff Davis's Netbuyer, Andersen's BargainFinder, and Shopping Explorer, each of which is targeted at a slightly different audience. MX BookFinder focuses on books, and offers shoppers a wide selection of bookstores. It offers superior search capabilities, and lets shoppers search by author, title, ISBN, type of book, and price range. **Pricewatch** is for people looking for computer products. It has a plain but effective interface, and presents results in a well-laid out matrix. Dealer names and brand names are hot-linked for direct information. WebCentric's Bottom Dollar searches for low-priced goods in multiple categories. It does not have a browse option, but it has keyword searching and a merchandise-type filter. Roboshopper places a window on top of a browser, and offers to select a product type through pull-down menus. Roboshopper has several merchandise categories, including computer hardware and software, books, movies, music, clothing, cars and trucks, and many others. After selecting a broad category, shoppers select additional filters to narrow down the search. Shopping Explorer is highly customizable and has several useful features and 20 merchandise categories.

COMPANY NAME: Andersen Consulting (485179); Network Commerce Inc
    (690155); Ziff Davis Publishing Co (507148); Excite@Home Inc (609951)
SPECIAL FEATURE: Screen Layouts
DESCRIPTORS: Information Retrieval; Internet Marketing; Bookstores; Front
    Ends; Retailers; Internet Search Engines; E-Commerce
REVISION DATE: 20010331

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06542873
Trial run for mult-function smart credit card
   SINGAPORE: SMART CREDIT CARD TRIAL
Business Times (XBA)   06 Nov 1997 P.2
Language: ENGLISH

A smart credit card by Standard Chartered Bank and NUS with support from
Visa is being tried with 1,000 users in Singapore. With a semiconductor
which stores electronic secret key and digital certificate, part of SET,
the Select card offers secure **shopping** over the Net through **Internet**
account and kiosks which allow non-Internet-account- **holders** to buy
goods on the Net via Singapore ONE and offers a customer loyalty
programme which entitles users with discounts. The Select card will offer a
wider range of functions.

COMPANY: INTERNET; VISA; STANDARD CHARTERED BANK

PRODUCT: Debit Card Svcs (6020DC); Nonbank Credit Card Firms (6141); Smart
     Cards (3078SC);
EVENT: Planning & Information (22);
COUNTRY: Singapore (9SIN);

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06521398
Smaller, Lower-Priced Biz Draw Towards Internet Marketing
   SOUTH KOREA: SMALL SERVICE FIRMS GO INTERNET
The Korea Economic Weekly (XBG)   22 Sep 1997 P.26
Language: ENGLISH

South Korea's smaller service provider, like flower delivery firms and
moving agents, are interested in marketing their services on the Internet
as it is easy to process the ordering of their goods. Small and low-price
products are found to **hold** advantages in **cyber** **shopping** as they are
easy to deliver. The starting of an Internet trade is 5-20% lower than
normal trading, hence it will improve small firms' competitiveness. It can
also help small firms to gain nationwide marketing coverage.

COMPANY: INTERNET

PRODUCT: Retail Trade (5200);
EVENT: Marketing Procedures (24); Companies Activities (10);
COUNTRY: South Korea (9SOK);

27/5/3   (Item 3 from file: 583)
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06385147
Metro returns to suburban scene with opening of Tampines store on Fr\
   SINGAPORE: METRO TO LAUNCH ONLINE SHOPPING SITE
The Straits Times (XBB)   29 Oct 1996 P.34
Language: ENGLISH

Metro (Pte) Ltd, a retailer in Singapore, will launch its own **online**
shopping site on the **Internet** on 1 November 1996 to allow **shoppers** to
browse through its range of **merchandise** and order **goods** **electronically**
. **Shoppers** will then **pick** **up** the purchases from one of Metro's
outlets or choose to have the goods delivered to them. The address of the
web site is http://www.metro.com.sg. Metro will also officially open its

85,000 sq ft store in Tampines on 1 November 1996. The store, which was refurbished at a cost of S$ 2 mn, marks the retailer's re-entry into suburban retailing, after a 20-year absence. Metro, which also invested another S$ 10 mn in stocking the shelves of the new store, expect it to add as much as 20% to 25% to its gross turnover by the end of the first year. The Tampines store, which will complement Metro's three other downtown outlets, is expected to break even by the end of the first operational year.
COMPANY: INTERNET; METRO

PRODUCT: Department Stores (5311); Retail Trade (5200); Wide Area Network
    Equipment (3661WN); Computers & Auxiliary Equip (3573); Communications
    Eqp ex Tel (3662); Databases (7375DA);
EVENT: General Management Services (26); Company Formation (12); Company
    Formation (14);
COUNTRY: Singapore (9SIN);

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06251438
BP: Express und Virtuell in den Tankstellenshops
  AUSTRIA: CONVENIENCE SHOPS AT BP PETROL STATIONS
Der Standard (XGO)   11 Jan 1996 p.18
Language: GERMAN

BP Austria AG, an Austrian subsidiary of British Petroleum, is to set up convenience shops at 35 of its 220 petrol stations by the end of 1997. The first 12 outlets are to be opened by mid-1996 according to the German example. The Express shops with an area of 75-120 sq.m will stock about 2,000 different food, household and other products. Also external services (self-service fax and copy machines and post office and lottery services) are to be offered, and Petit Bistro bars are to be set up. At night the service will take place through kiosk counters. After 1996 BP Austria is planning to introduce an **electronic   shopping** service, in which the client can order **products** that he can **pick up** the following day. This will involve cooperation with the <German> mail order house Otto-Versand.

COMPANY: OTTO-VERSAND; BRITISH PETROLEUM; BP AUSTRIA

PRODUCT: Mail & Express Services (4310); Garages & Filling Stations (5541
); Fuel & Ice Dealers (5980); Mail Order Houses (5961); Food Stores NEC (
5499); Retail Trade (5200);
EVENT: General Management Services (26); Company Formation (14);
    Planning & Information (22);
COUNTRY: United Kingdom (4UK);

27/5/5   (Item 5 from file: 583)
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06145465
Japanese tap Taiwan for electronics parts
  TAIWAN: JAPANESE PURCHASED SEMI-CONDUCTORS
The HongKong Standard (XKR)   25 Apr 1995 p.4
Language: ENGLISH

A group of Japanese **electronic** and **merchandise** firms has **held** a business meeting with Taiwan's semi-conductor producers about the procurement of low cost electronic parts. The Japanese firms was seeking good semi-conductors worldwide and Taiwan semi-conductor producers expected to exploit the opportunity to enter the Japanese semi-conductor market. During the two days meeting, both parties signed deals worth US$40 mn. *

PRODUCT: Semiconductor Devices (3674);

EVENT: Foreign Trade (04); Capital Expenditure (43); Use of Materials &
     Supplies (46); Contracts & Orders (61);
COUNTRY: Japan (9JPN); Taiwan (9TAI);

27/5/6   (Item 6 from file: 583)
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05917327
A touch of genius
  UK: VIRGIN TO TRIAL ELECTRONIC CATALOGUE
Retail Week (RWK)   07 Jan 1994   p.3
Language: ENGLISH

Virgin plans to test an in-**store** touch-screen **electronic   catalogue** in
its music **stores** , giving customers access to 180,000 products. The
system, from 20/20 Design, pinpoints the **location** of items **in   stock**
and advises on ordering systems. *

COMPANY: 20/20 DESIGN; VIRGIN

PRODUCT: Retail Trade (5200); Records & Tapes (3652);
EVENT: General Management Services (26);
COUNTRY: United Kingdom (4UK);

27/5/7   (Item 7 from file: 583)
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03316044
XEROX AND KODAK DIGITAL TO DEVELOP DIGITAL COPIER
  US - XEROX AND KODAK DIGITAL TO DEVELOP DIGITAL COPIER
Computergram International (CGI)   26 February 1990
ISSN: 0268-716X

Xerox and Kodak Eastman are developing the **digital** copier, which scans
and **stores** the image and then laser prints it instead of **picking** it **up**
 directly on a drum. The **product** is nicknamed Hydra, for Hybrid Document
Reproduction Apparatus by Wall   Street Journal staffer Laurence Hooper.
Ricoh and Canon already have products capable of performing four functions,
creating the super-print-communications server, but offer only facsimile
and copying on them at present for lack of the software to tie all the
functions together and interface them to personal computers.

PRODUCT: Image Output Laser Printers (3573IO); Facsimile Equipment (3662FX
); Facsimile Services (4811FS); Blueprint & Photocopy Svcs (7332);
EVENT: PRODUCTS, PROCESSES & SERVICES (30);
COUNTRY: United States (1USA); NATO Countries (420); South East Asia
     Treaty Organisation (913);

27/5/8   (Item 8 from file: 583)
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00404225
ELECTRONIC SHOPPING REVOLUTION IMMINENT
  WORLD - ELECTRONIC SHOPPING REVOLUTION IMMINENT
  (X)   21 July 1986

According to the co-author of the **Electronic** Revolution in **Store** , Mr A
Knowles, multiple retailers will considerably increase their **hold** on the
food and packaged **goods**   industries in the UK unless there is a quick
reaction by manufacturers to the imminent revolution in electronic
shopping. The study maintains that manufacturers will have less control
over store prices of their products, less opportunities for in- store

promotions, less or no influence on reordering and on the allocation of
shelf space. It claims that about one third of retail outlets in the UK
will have installed Epos by 1990. The study costs #50 in the EEC and $100
elsewhere and is available from the Marketing Services Dept, Ogilvy and
Mather, Brettenham House, Lancaster Place, London WC2E 7EZ.*

PRODUCT: Electronic Point of Sale Systems (3573EP);
EVENT: MARKET & INDUSTRY NEWS (60);
COUNTRY: Earth - Planet (OW);

27/5/9   (Item 1 from file: 2)
DIALOG(R)File   2:INSPEC
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6907360   INSPEC Abstract Number: C2001-06-7180-001
   Title: **Entrepreneurial opportunities created by electronic grocery
shopping**
   Author(s): Heikkila, J.; Kallio, J.; Saarinen, T.; Salmi, H.; Tuunainen,
V.K.
   Author Affiliation: Dept. of Inf. Syst. Sci., Jyvaskyla Univ., Finland
   Journal: Electronic Markets   vol.10, no.1   p.2-10
   Publisher: Routledge,
   Country of Publication: UK
   ISSN: 1019-6781
   SICI: 1019-6781()10:1L.2:EOCE;1-6
   Material Identity Number: F273-2001-002
   Language: English   Document Type: Journal Paper (JP)
   Treatment: Practical (P)
   Abstract: Current trading of daily consumer goods, groceries, is based on
large chain masters as coordinators and extensive use of small companies as
subcontractors, stores as customer front-ends and self-service as means for
picking - up and home delivery of the **goods** . Our research aims at
sketching what will be their role in the age of **Internet   storefronts**
and seamlessly interlinked information systems. We use task analysis to
reveal the areas of opportunities created for entrepreneurs by changing
industry operations and structure. The analysis is based on literature on
entrepreneurs, explorative survey on EGS (electronic grocery shops) around
the world on the Internet, and on the experiences of the first Finnish EGS.
The analysis implies that the subcontracting entrepreneurs will need to
develop new skills in the evolving electronic market place. This provides
opportunities for both high-tech small and medium sized enterprises (SME)
in developing and maintaining storefronts, and third party logistics
service providers in developing and operating physical activities such as
picking up, home deliveries and recycling. (27 Refs)
   Subfile: C
   Descriptors: home shopping; Internet
   Identifiers: entrepreneurial opportunities; electronic grocery shopping;
daily consumer goods; Internet storefronts; seamlessly interlinked
information systems; EGS
   Class Codes: C7180 (Retailing and distribution computing); C7830 (Home
computing); C6150N (Distributed systems software); C7210N (Information
networks)

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DIALOG(R)File   2:INSPEC
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5631443   INSPEC Abstract Number: B9708-0170J-071
   Title: **Plastic-encapsulated microcircuits (PEMs): long-term dormancy
studies**
   Author(s): Hakim, E.B.; Fink, J.; Tam, S.M.; McCluskey, P.; Pecht, M.
   Author Affiliation: Maryland Univ., College Park, MD, USA
   Journal: Circuit World   vol.23, no.4   p.26-9
   Publisher: Wela Publications,
   Publication Date: June 1997 Country of Publication: UK

Abstract: It has now been conclusively demonstrated that PEMs made using
best commercial materials, processes, and quality techniques will permit
devices to perform reliably in the most severe environments. Missile
systems are low volume production items, which use relatively few
microcircuits. They are required to operate for very short times after
being unpowered (dormant) for very long times (10 to 20 years) and exposed
to humidity, temperature cycle, and mechanical shock. This paper addresses
reliability concerns and provides data from studies performed to determine
if PEMs could survive such long-term unbiased applications. These studies
include analysis of PEMs (some date coded 1968) from **inventory** or various
storage **locations** and from applications where the **electronic** modules
containing PEMs were **stored** for 10-12 years in various environments.
Regardless of the storage conditions, the significant factor is that these
early vintage commercial grade PEMs, without screening or incoming
inspection, survived assembly and extended storage. (8 Refs)
   Subfile: B
   Descriptors: environmental testing; integrated circuit packaging;
integrated circuit reliability; integrated circuit testing; military
avionics; missiles; plastic packaging
   Identifiers: plastic-encapsulated microcircuits; long-term dormancy;
reliable performance; severe environments; missile systems; humidity;
temperature cycle; mechanical shock; reliability concerns; long-term
unbiased applications; electronic modules; storage conditions; 10 to 12
year
   Class Codes: B0170J (Product packaging); B2570 (Semiconductor integrated
circuits); B0170E (Production facilities and engineering); B0170N (
Reliability); B7630 (Avionic systems and aerospace instrumentation); B7910
 (Military circuits, components, and equipment)
   Numerical Indexing: time 3.2E+08 to 3.8E+08 s

   27/5/11   (Item 3 from file: 2)

5178338
 **Title: The Internet: marketers deal with buyer perceptions through better
security**
   Abstract: What most marketers want most now out of the WorldWideWeb is
what they've always wanted: brand-loyal markets all to themselves where
distribution costs are low, products command a premium price due to more
speedy introduction, and sales transactions are immediate. In short, what
they want is return on investment, in spite of the fact that the initial
investment in establishing a Web presence is universally low. On the
consumer side, technology is driving a paradigm shift from manufacturers or
retailers making a product and seeking buyers, to consumers desiring
products and seeking sources for them. As a result, marketers now want to
move as quickly as possible from setting up **store** windows to **virtual
stores** where people can **electronically** walk into the **store** itself to
purchase **goods** and services. What's **holding** back progress is a basic
prerequisite for Web-based transactions: security. (0 Refs)
   Subfile: D

Descriptors: Internet; marketing; security

Identifiers: Internet; marketers; buyer perceptions; security;
WorldWideWeb; brand-loyal markets; premium price; distribution costs;
return on investment; Web presence; paradigm shift; consumers; virtual
stores; purchasing; goods; services; Web-based transactions; business
product buyers

Class Codes: D2140 (Marketing, retailing and distribution); D2080 (
Information services and database systems); D1060 (Security)

27/5/12   (Item 4 from file: 2)
DIALOG(R)File   2:INSPEC

5056113   INSPEC Abstract Number: A9520-9265-004
**Title: The spatial and temporal effect of cloud cover on the acquisition
of high quality Landsat imagery in the European Arctic sector**
Author(s): Marshall, G.J.; Dowdeswell, J.A.; Rees, W.G.
Author Affiliation: Scott Polar Res. Inst., Cambridge Univ., UK
Journal: Remote Sensing of Environment   vol.50, no.2   p.149-60
Publication Date: Nov. 1994 Country of Publication: USA
CODEN: RSEEA7 ISSN: 0034-4257
U.S. Copyright Clearance Center Code: 0034-4257/94/$7.00
Language: English   Document Type: Journal Paper (JP)
Treatment: Experimental (X)

Abstract: Cloud cover is one of several constraints on the ability of
VIS/NIR sensors, such as those on board Landsat, to provide a continuing
time series of data for glaciological studies in polar regions; for
example, the long term observation of annual mass balance fluctuations or
the short-term monitoring of surging glaciers. In order to ascertain the
extent to which cloudiness prevents Landsat imagery from providing such
datasets in the European Arctic, cloud cover data for all imagery acquired
during April-September, 1983-92, for 15 glaciologically significant areas
(each represented by a Landsat path/row) were examined. Cloudiness values
were derived from the Eurimage LEDA (**onLine** Earthnet Data **Availability**)
catalogue . The results indicate that **regions** of the European Arctic may
be classified into three groups on the basis of the frequency of
availability of high quality imagery (<35% cloud cover). Marked seasonal
differences are also evident between the groups. The relative abilities of
Landsat MSS/TM and ERS-1 SAR data to provide multitemporal datasets are
compared. (37 Refs)

Subfile: A

Descriptors: clouds; glaciology; remote sensing

Identifiers: European Arctic sector; Landsat imagery; cloud cover spatial
effect; cloud cover temporal effect; visible sensors; Landsat imagery
acquisition; near IR sensors; glaciological studies; polar regions; annual
mass-balance fluctuations; surging glacier monitoring; cloudiness; AD 1983
to 1992; Eurimage LEDA catalogue; onLine Earthnet Data Availability;
seasonal differences; Landsat MSS/TM data; ERS-1 SAR data; multitemporal
datasets; radar data; remote sensing

Class Codes: A9265V (Clouds, fog, haze, aerosols, effects of pollution);
A9240V (Glaciers and ice sheets); A9260N (Cloud physics); A9330G (Europe)

27/5/13   (Item 5 from file: 2)
DIALOG(R)File   2:INSPEC

02548828   INSPEC Abstract Number: B85063302, C85050336
Title: The middle ground between public and private networks
Author(s): Sun, M.; Kaul, P.; Revkin, S.
Author Affiliation: M/A-Com, Telecommun. Div., Germantown, MD, USA
Journal: Data Communications   vol.14, no.8   p.115-19
Publication Date: July 1985 Country of Publication: USA
CODEN: DACODM ISSN: 0363-6399
Language: English   Document Type: Journal Paper (JP)

Treatment: Practical (P)

Abstract: Hybrid networks allow users to combine both public and private schemes. The benefits for wide-area network users include wider **geographic** coverage and enhanced network **availability** . These benefits and some of the problems which users and **vendors** must confront in setting up a hybrid **network** are described. (0 Refs)
   Subfile: B C
   Descriptors: computer networks; DP management
   Identifiers: public networks; network management; private networks; wide-area network; hybrid network
   Class Codes: B0140 (Administration and management); B6210L (Computer communications); C0310D (Installation management); C5620W (Other networks)

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01147157   INSPEC Abstract Number: C78003979
 Title: Assessing the impact of computer technology on the performance of interlibrary loan networks
   Author(s): Rouse, W.B.; Rouse, S.H.
   Author Affiliation: Univ. of Illinois, Urbana, IL, USA
   Journal: Journal of the American Society for Information Sciences vol.28, no.2   p.79-88
   Publication Date: March 1977 Country of Publication: USA
   CODEN: AISJB6 ISSN: 0002-8231
   Language: English   Document Type: Journal Paper (JP)
   Treatment: General, Review (G)
   Abstract: Performance of interlibrary loan networks in terms of probability of success and average time to satisfy a request is enhanced when **location** and **availability** information can be accessed. Existing computer technologies such as shared **cataloging networks** and automated circulation systems can be of use in obtaining this information. A procedure is presented for quantitative assessment of the impact of these technologies and their various combinations on interlibrary loan activities. The procedure is utilized for predicting the impact on the Illinois Library and Information Network (ILLINET). Results show that the value of location information as obtained from a shared cataloging network or similar technology is highly dependent on the information being specific enough to free the lending library from searching their own main catalog. The value of availability information is shown to be related to the processing time that can be avoided by having prior information about the circulation status of the desired item. (18 Refs)
   Subfile: C
   Descriptors: library mechanisation
   Identifiers: impact; computer technology; performance; interlibrary loan networks; quantitative assessment
   Class Codes: C7210 (Information services and centres)

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00478010   97PI11-240
   Open for business: Web storefront creation software -- After a slow start, business is picking   up on the Web. These 12 products can help you hang your shingle online.
   Linthicum, David S
   PC Magazine , November 18, 1997 , v16 n20 p143-181, 19 Page(s)
   ISSN: 0888-8507
   Company Name: Viaweb; iCat
   URL: http://www.viaweb.com http://www.icat.com
   Product Name: Viaweb Store 3.0; iCat Electronic Commerce Suite 3.0
   Languages: English
   Document Type: Buyer and Vendor Guide
   Grade (of Product Reviewed): A; A

Hardware/Software Compatibility: 486-based PC; Microsoft Windows 95; Microsoft Windows NT
   Geographic Location: United States
   Presents a buyers' guide to Web storefront creation software. Features 12 entry-level and mid-range products from 12 manufacturers. Explains that they work with existing Web servers to give visitors a means of registering, browsing products, placing items in a virtual shopping cart, and performing secure electronic credit card transactions. Adds that most offer quick si options. Recommends Viaweb Store 3.0 ($100 per month) from Viaweb Inc. of Cambridge MA (888, 617) as an entry-level solution. Notes that this vendor-hosted product allows users to set up a storefront with only an Internet connection and a browser. Also recommends Electronic Commerce Suite ($9,995, Professional Edition) from iCa Corp. of Seattle, WA (888, 206). Says this solution is designed for larger-sized businesses, featuring a selection of storefront templates. Selects both as PC Magazine Editors' Choice products. Includes two diagrams, four sidebars, one glossary, two bar charts, 13 screen displays, and two tables. (kgh)
   Descriptors: Electronic Commerce; Web Tools; Catalog; Online Transaction Processing; Application Development; Web Publishing; Web Page Authoring
   Identifiers: Viaweb Store 3.0; iCat Electronic Commerce Suite 3.0; Viaweb; iCat

   27/5/16   (Item 2 from file: 233)
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00468043   97IE08-004
   Buying it on the Web -- Netbot Jango 1.0
   Haskin, David
   Internet World , August 1, 1997 , v8 n8 p38-40, 2 Page(s)
   ISSN: 1064-3923
   Company Name: Netbot
   Product Name: Jango 1.0
   Languages: English
   Document Type: Software Review
   Grade (of Product Reviewed): B
   Hardware/Software Compatibility: IBM PC Compatible; Microsoft Windows 95; Microsoft Windows NT
   Geographic Location: United States
   Presents a favorable review of the beta version of Jango (free), a 32-bit software agent for Windows 95 and NT 4.0 from Netbot Inc. (206). Explains that it builds itself into a browser to collect an impressive array of information about a desired product. Adds that it conducts parallel queries of **online merchants** and displays **available items** and prices in a **locally** stored HTML page, performs a metasearch for additional product information using standard search engines, and lists links to reviews and other Web sites on other locally stored pages. However, notes it cannot be used to make simultaneous multiple purchases. Calls it ``good news for customers.'' Includes one screen display and one summary card. (dpm)
   Descriptors: Electronic Shopping; Web Tools; Online Searching; 32-Bit Code; Task Automation; Purchasing; Electronic Commerce
   Identifiers: Jango 1.0; Netbot

   27/5/17   (Item 3 from file: 233)
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00456751   97WW04-402
   Deal catapults HP into e-commerce -- Acquires VeriFone in $1.15B stock swap
   Roberts, Bill
   WebWeek , April 28, 1997 , v3 n12 p1, 41, 2 Page(s)
   ISSN: 1081-3071
   Company Name: Hewlett-Packard; VeriFone

Languages: English
Document Type: Articles, News & Columns
Geographic Location: United States
    Focuses on Hewlett-Packard's (of Palo Alto, CA) planned acquisition of VeriFone Inc. of Redwood **City** , CA for $1.15 billion **in   stock** , making Hewlett-Packard (HP) a major player in the **Internet   commerce** and smart card markets. Says that VeriFone is the leading maker of devices for scanning credit cards at checkout counters and develops software for verifying credit card transactions in the physical space and on the Internet. Adds that HP's combination of enterprisewide network security, monitoring, and control when joined with VeriFone's long-time relationships with the financial transactions industry makes this a top-notch deal for both companies. Provides a bar chart of VeriFone's revenue sources, showing that smart cards account for only four percent of VeriFone's revenue, but are growing quickly. Includes one bar chart. (smg)
    Descriptors: Mergers/Acquisitions; Card Reader; Internet; Marketing; Corporate Strategy; Electronic Commerce; Online Transaction Processing
    Identifiers: Hewlett-Packard; VeriFone

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00408949   96LM01-007
   You play, you pay -- If your company tends to bend the rules of software licensing, beware of the industry watchdogs. Software metering programs can...
    Chae, Lee
    LAN , January 1, 1996 , v11 n1 p99-109, 8 Page(s)
    ISSN: 1069-5621
    Languages: English
    Document Type: Buyer and Vendor Guide
    Geographic Location: United States
    Presents a buyers' guide to inventory and metering applications. Features a table comparing nine features of 35 products from 27 companies. Discusses the efforts of organizations such as SPA (Software Publishers Association), which are working to ensure that companies are complying with their software licensing agreements with the goal of eliminating software piracy. Notes that companies who break the piracy laws are subject to stiff penalties, and suggests the use of metering applications, which aid network managers in keeping abreast of license usage on a busy network. Explains features to look for in these packages and what you can expect to pay for license compliance. Includes two diagrams and three graphs. (CH)
    Descriptors: Software Metering; **Inventory** ; Software Piracy; Licensing; **Local** Area **Networks** ; **Vendor** Guide

   27/5/19   (Item 5 from file: 233)
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00405052   95SN12-005
   EDI users explore Internet as tool of trade
    Frye, Colleen
    Software Magazine , December 1, 1995 , v15 n13 p83-89, 8 Page(s)
    ISSN: 0897-8085
    Languages: English
    Document Type: Feature Articles and News
    Geographic Location: United States
    Presents an overview of the use of electronic data interchange (EDI) over the Internet for financial transactions. Says companies using EDI to exchange business data typically use a value-added network (VAN) which offer a secure transport mechanism but can be expensive and requires both EDI partners to subscribe to the same VAN. Adds that using the Internet for EDI requires only an inexpensive connect fee and facilitates freedom to choose the provider. Notes that issues of security, reliability, lack of **products** , and fear are **holding** back both users and vendors. Also says

more **vendors** are planning to EDI over the **Internet** in their products. Includes two charts, a photo, and a product resource guide. (dpm)
Descriptors: Electronic Data Interchange; Internet; Data Transmission; Business; Finances; Trends

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00387728   95NC06-007
  Inventory software: getting down to basics
  Marks, Kristin
  Network Computing , June 1, 1995 , v6 n7 p116-127, 9 Page(s)
  ISSN: 1046-4468
  Company Name: LAN Support Group, The; Symantec; Frye Computer Systems; Tally Systems; Horizons Technology
  Product Name: LAN Support Group BindView NCS, The; Symantec Norton Administrator; Frye LAN Directory; Tally NetCensus; Horizon Technology LANauditor
  Languages: English
  Document Type: Buyer and Vendor Guide
  Grade (of Product Reviewed): A; A
  Hardware/Software Compatibility: IBM PC Compatible
  Geographic Location: United States
  Presents a buyer's guide reviewing eight network-based inventory software packages for IBM PC compatibles from eight manufacturers. Includes a table comparing 28 features of these programs, such as MAC or OS/2 client support; how they ID each workstation; data collection scheduling options; on-demand inventory; custom reporting; and audit file server software and hardware. Awards the Network Computing Editor's Choice designation to The LAN Support Group BindView NCS ($200 per Internet or site plus $595 per 100 nodes) from The LAN Support Group (800), rated 4.50 out of 5.00, which has the best reporting and comprehensive, accurate data collection; and to Symantec Norton Administrator for Networks v1.5 ($65 per node) from Symantec (800), rated 4.50, having an excellent interface and solid data collection. Provides a table showing how well each program inventoried an actual PC installation. Includes six photos, one sidebar, a products report card, and a list of vendors. (jo)
  Descriptors: **Network** Management; **Inventory** ; Hardware; **Vendor** Guide; Diagnostics; **Local** Area **Networks** ; Software
  Identifiers: LAN Support Group BindView NCS, The; Symantec Norton Administrator; Frye LAN Directory; Tally NetCensus; Horizon Technology LANauditor; LAN Support Group, The; Symantec; Frye Computer Systems; Tally Systems; Horizons Technology

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00360743   94NC09-019
  The desktop inventory story
  Drews, James
  Network Computing , September 1, 1994 , v5 n10 p130-141, 9 Page(s)
  ISSN: 1046-4468
  Company Name: McAfee; Frye Computer Systems; Network Computing; VisiSoft; Horizons Technology
  Product Name: BrightWorks; LAN Directory; BindView NCS; VisiNet; LANauditor
  Languages: English
  Document Type: Buyer and Vendor Guide
  Grade (of Product Reviewed): B; A; B; F; C
  Hardware/Software Compatibility: IBM PC Compatible
  Geographic Location: United States
  Presents a buyer's guide to inventory packages. Features a table comparing 40 features of nine products from nine companies. Includes a short review of each product, an executive summary, six screen displays,

three photos, and a score card. Awards the Editor's Choice to LAN Directory
v1.5 ($495, for the first 50 computers) from Frye Computer Systems of
Boston, MA (617) and two honorable mention awards: the first to BindView
NCS v3.11 ($200, NCS Console; $495, Server Information module per server;
$595, Workstation Auditing module per 100 workstations) from Network
Computing of Santa Clara, CA (800); and the second to BrightWorks v1.0
($1,499, for 100 users) from McAfee of Santa Clara, CA (408). Includes a
listing of accuracy problems for each product. (CH)
    Descriptors: **Network** Management; **Inventory ; Local Area Networks ;
Vendor GuideM**
    Identifiers: BrightWorks; LAN Directory; BindView NCS; VisiNet;
LANauditor; McAfee; Frye Computer Systems; Network Computing; VisiSoft
; Horizons Technology

27/5/22   (Item 8 from file: 233)
DIALOG(R)File 233:Internet & Personal Comp. Abs.
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00252202   91IW11-040
 **Network utilities: building the LAN toolkit InfoWorld looks at eight
utilities for inventorying and monitoring your Novell network.**
    Carleton, Mary; Carleton, Russ; Capen, Tracey
    InfoWorld , November 4, 1991 , v14 n44 p59-78, 7 Pages
    ISSN: 0199-6649
    Languages: English
    Document Type: Buyer and Vendor Guide
    Hardware/Software Compatibility: IBM PC XT; IBM PC AT; IBM PS/2; IBM
PC XT Compatible; IBM PC AT Compatible; IBM PS/2 Compatible
    Geographic Location: United States
    Presents a buyers's guide to network utilities. Features a table rating
three inventory products and five monitoring products from seven companies
in seven categories. Products reviewed and overall scores are: Inventory
Software: LAN Auditor v. 2.0 ($495) from Horizons Technology (619) - 6.8;
LAN Automatic Inventory v. 2.0 ($695) from Brightwork Development (800) -
7.2; Network H.Q. v. 1.1 ($395) from Magee Enterprises (404) - 7.0;
Monitoring Software: EtherVision v. 2.04 ($395) from Triticom (612) - 6.7;
Frye Utilities NetWare Management v. 1.1 ($495) from Frye Computer Systems
(617) - 7.2; Frye Utilities NetWare Early Warning System v. 1.1 ($495) from
Frye Computer Systems (617) - 7.2; Monitrix v. 2.1 ($495) from Cheyenne
Software (516) - 6.5; and NetVision v. 2.0 ($495) from Fresh Technology
(800) - 6.8. Includes eight screen displays, eight product summaries, and
an executive summary. (jb)
    Descriptors: **Local** Area **Networks ; Inventory ;** Diagnostics;
 Software Review; Utility Program; **Vendor** Guide; Management

27/5/23   (Item 1 from file: 474)
DIALOG(R)File 474:New York Times Abs
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06524882   NYT Sequence Number: 235474930426
A HARD LOOK AT HOME SHOPPING'S FAMILY TIES
MEIER, BARRY
New York Times, Col. 3, Pg. 1, Sec. D
Monday April 26 1993
DOCUMENT TYPE: Newspaper JOURNAL CODE: NYT LANGUAGE: English
RECORD TYPE: Abstract

ABSTRACT:
    Article profiles Home Shopping Network amid charges that both Roy Speer
and Lowell W Paxson, co-founder and former president of Home **Shopping
Network** , profited from insider dealings, had secret **holdings** in
merchandise vendors or paid hush money to former company lawyer to stop
him from disclosing those relationships; chart; photo of Speer (M)

SPECIAL FEATURES: Chart; Photo
COMPANY NAMES: HOME SHOPPING NETWORK INC

DESCRIPTORS: COMPANY AND ORGANIZATION PROFILES; ETHICS; TELEVISION
PERSONAL NAMES: MEIER, BARRY; SPEER, ROY; PAXSON, LOWELL

27/5/24   (Item 2 from file: 474)
DIALOG(R)File 474:New York Times Abs
(c) 2001 The New York Times. All rts. reserv.

06039310   NYT Sequence Number: 751740911207
SHOPPING: AN OFFER TOO GOOD TO ACCEPT
WALD, MATTHEW L
New York Times, Col. 1, Pg. 52, Sec. 1
Saturday December 7 1991
DOCUMENT TYPE: Newspaper JOURNAL CODE: NYT LANGUAGE: English
RECORD TYPE: Abstract

ABSTRACT:
     Comment on some of shady retail practices found in slippery world of
consumer **electronics   stores** in New York City; complaints about Sixth
Avenue **Electronics   City** include not having advertised **merchandise   in
stock** ; photo (M)

SPECIAL FEATURES: Photo
DESCRIPTORS: RETAIL STORES AND TRADE; CONSUMER PROTECTION; DISCOUNT
   SELLING; ELECTRONICS; PRICES; CONSUMER'S WORLD PAGE (NYT)
PERSONAL NAMES: WALD, MATTHEW L
GEOGRAPHIC NAMES: NEW YORK CITY

27/5/25   (Item 3 from file: 474)
DIALOG(R)File 474:New York Times Abs
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01175906   NYT Sequence Number: 061587821205
**Mid-Manhattan Independent Merchants Assn is challenging new NYC law that
 requires licensing of mid-Manhattan stores that sell audio, video and
 photographic equipment, electronic calculators and Oriental-style rugs.
 Law is aimed at 'tourist trap' shops that sell overpriced merchandise
 to unwary customers. Merchants hold that law is discriminatory and
 overly restrictive (S).)**
DUNLAP, DAVID W
New York Times, Col. 1, Pg. 55, Sec. 1
Sunday December 5 1982
DOCUMENT TYPE: Newspaper JOURNAL CODE: NYT LANGUAGE: English
RECORD TYPE: Abstract

COMPANY NAMES: MID-MANHATTAN INDEPENDENT MERCHANTS ASSN (NYC)
DESCRIPTORS: MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT; RETAIL STORES AND TRADE; RECORDINGS
   (DISK AND TAPE) AND RECORDING AND PLAYBACK EQUIPMENT; CONSUMER PROTECTION
   ; VIDEOTAPE; TRAVEL AND RESORTS; CALCULATORS; PRICES; ELECTRONICS;
   PHOTOGRAPHY; FLOOR COVERINGS; LAW AND LEGISLATION (STATE AND LOCAL);
   DISCRIMINATION
PERSONAL NAMES: DUNLAP, DAVID W
GEOGRAPHIC NAMES: NEW YORK CITY

27/5/26   (Item 1 from file: 475)
DIALOG(R)File 475:Wall Street Journal Abs
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07972002   NYT Sequence Number: 000000980226
CLINTON TO BACK MORATORIUM ON TAXES BY STATES, LOCALITIES ON INTERNET SALES
Wilke, John R; Simons, John
Wall Street Journal, Col. 5, Pg. 10, Sec. B
Thursday February 26 1998
DOCUMENT TYPE: Newspaper JOURNAL CODE: WSJ LANGUAGE: English
RECORD TYPE: Abstract

ABSTRACT:
    Pres Clinton, in speech to technology investors and executives, **will**
call for a moratorium on new state and local taxes on the **Internet** in a
move to foster **on -line** **commerce** (M)

DESCRIPTORS: INTERNET AND WORLD WIDE WEB; TAXATION
PERSONAL NAMES: Wilke, John R; Simons, John; CLINTON, BILL (PRES)

27/5/27 **(Item 1 from file: 278)**
DIALOG(R)File 278:Microcomputer Software Guide
(c) 2001 Reed Elsevier Inc. All rts. reserv.

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   0005542XX   STATUS: ACTIVE ENTRY
  TITLE: Circulation Manager
  VERSION: 3.25
  RELEASE DATE: 01/1992
  COMPATIBLE HARDWARE: IBM PC family and compatibles; Windows
  MICROPROCESSOR TYPE: Free phone support
  OPERATING SYSTEM(S) REQUIRED: MS-DOS or Windows
  PRICE INFORMATION:
  Diskette 695.00
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DIALOG(R)File 256:SoftBase:Reviews,Companies&Prods.
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00096857   DOCUMENT TYPE: Review

PRODUCT NAMES: Microsoft Windows NT Server 4.0 (442674)

TITLE: Microsoft's First Slap at NDS
AUTHOR: Rash, Wayne, Jr
SOURCE: Communications Week,   v630 p57(1) Sep 23, 1996
ISSN: 0746-8121

RECORD TYPE: Review
REVIEW TYPE: Review
GRADE: C

Microsoft's Microsoft Windows NT Server 4.0 with Dfs directory services is
an important advance for Windows NT network administrators, especially
administrators of large enterprise networks. However, it has few automation
tools and adds some problems that did not exist before. Dfs has most of the
features required in a directory service, including one login; transparent
file/directory services; easy, unobtrusive administrative file migration on
the network; and integration of multiple operating system (OSs) into one
management solution. Dfs allows administrators to configure one network
directory tree that **holds** **items** from various **network** locations,
including graphics files **stored** on one **server** , with images distributed
over several servers. Microsoft very successfully made Dfs flexible and
easy-to-use for administration, because it is almost invisible to users.
However, large enterprise network administrators will find its client
support limited and will discover that directory tree management is

task-intensive. Managers of mission-critical networks should also add a fault-tolerance software package, such as Vinca's Stand-by Server. In its current form, Dfs is suitable only for test environments, particularly due to its security limitations.

COMPANY NAME: Microsoft Corp (112127)
SPECIAL FEATURE: Charts Screen Layouts
DESCRIPTORS: Network Administration Tools; Network Software; Windows
    NT/2000; Operating Systems; Integration Software; Network Servers; IBM
    PC & Compatibles
REVISION DATE: 20000830